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### VIA HAND DELIVERY

Hon. Deborah Taylor Tate, Chairman Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37238

Re:

Docket to Establish Generic Performance Measurements, Benchmarks and Enforcement Mechanisms for BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Docket No. 01-00193

### Dear Chairman Tate:

For the convenience of the Authority and Staff, I am enclosing copies of three orders from the Florida Public Service Commission relating to its six-month review of performance metrics in Florida Docket No. 000121A-TP. The orders were issued on December 10, 2002, April 22, 2003 and May 15, 2003.

Copies of the enclosed are being provided to counsel of record.

Very truly yours,

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### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Investigation into the establishment of operations support systems permanent performance measures for incumbent local exchange telecommunications companies. (BELLSOUTH TRACK)

DOCKET NO. 000121A-TP ORDER NO. PSC-03-0603-CO-TP ISSUED: May 15, 2003

### CONSUMMATING ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

By Order No. PSC-03-0529-PAA-TP, issued April 22, 2003, this Commission proposed to take certain action, subject to a Petition for Formal Proceeding as provided in Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code. No response has been filed to the order, in regard to the above mentioned docket. It is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Order No. PSC-03-0529-PAA-TP has become effective and final. further

ORDERED that this docket shall remain open.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 15th day of May, 2003.

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Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water and/or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.

#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Investigation into the establishment of operations support systems permanent performance measures for incumbent local exchange telecommunications companies. (BELLSOUTH TRACK)

DOCKET NO. 000121A-TP ORDER NO. PSC-03-0529-PAA-TP ISSUED: April 22, 2003

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

LILA A. JABER, Chairman J. TERRY DEASON BRAULIO L. BAEZ RUDOLPH "RUDY" BRADLEY CHARLES M. DAVIDSON

# NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION ORDER IMPLEMENTING PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT PLAN

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

NOTICE is hereby given by the Florida Public Service Commission that the action discussed herein is preliminary in nature and will become final unless a person whose interests are substantially affected files a petition for a formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

#### I. Background

We opened Docket No. 000121-TP to develop permanent performance metrics for the ongoing evaluation of operations support systems (OSS) provided for alternative local exchange carriers' (ALECs) use by incumbent local exchange carriers (ILECs). A monitoring and enforcement program to ensure that the ALECs receive nondiscriminatory access to the ILEC's OSS is associated with the performance metrics. Performance monitoring is necessary to ensure that ILECs are meeting their obligation to provide unbundled access, interconnection and resale to ALECs in a

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nondiscriminatory manner. Additionally, it establishes a standard against which ALECs and this Commission can measure performance over time to detect and correct any degradation of service provided to ALECs.

Docket No. 000121-TP consists of three phases. Phase I began with workshops conducted by our staff with members of the ALEC and ILEC communities. These workshops were held on March 30, 2000, August 8, 2000, and December 13, 2000. The purpose of Phase I was to determine and resolve any policy and legal issues in this matter. Phase II involved establishing permanent metrics for BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth), including a specific monitoring and enforcement program. With the completion of Phase II, we are currently in Phase III of this docket, which entails the establishment of performance metrics and a performance monitoring and evaluation program for the other Florida ILECs.

By Order No. PSC-01-1819-FOF-TP (Final Order), September 10, 2001, we established permanent performance measures and benchmarks as well as a voluntary self-executing enforcement mechanism (Performance Assessment Plan) for BellSouth. As part of Order No. PSC-01-1819-FOF-TP, the parties stipulated that, within the first two years of implementation, BellSouth would participate in six-month review cycles to discuss any proposed changes to the Performance Assessment Plan. By Order No. PSC-02-0187-FOF-TP, issued February 12, 2002, as amended by Order No. PSC-01-0187A-FOF-TP, issued March 13, 2002, BellSouth's Performance Assessment Plan was approved.

By Order No. PSC-02-0503-PCO-TP, issued April 11, 2002, Docket No. 000121-TP was divided into three subdockets: (1) 000121A-TP, in which filings directed toward the BellSouth track would be placed; (2) 000121B-TP, in which filings directed toward the Sprint track would be placed; and (3) 000121C-TP, in which filings directed toward the Verizon track would be placed.

By Order No. PSC-02-0989-PAA-TP, issued July 22, 2002, BellSouth was required to file a specific action plan designed to improve flow-through and adjust the Self Effectuating Enforcement Mechanism (SEEM) for the flow-through metric by July 30, 2002, for the August 2002 results. Additionally, BellSouth was ordered to establish defect correction metrics to be effective August 1, 2002, as part of the Service Quality Measures in Docket 000121A-TP.

By Order No. PSC-02-1094-PAA-TP, issued August 9, 2002, BellSouth was required to implement three new Service Quality

Measures to address concerns over the timely and effective implementation of ALEC-initiated change requests for new features. Additionally, BellSouth was ordered to change the required due date for Tier 1 and Tier 2 SEEM payments.

On September 25-26, 2002 and October 17-18, 2002, our staff conducted the first six-month review workshops to gauge the effectiveness of BellSouth's permanent performance measures and to determine whether the current remedy structure is effective in driving BellSouth's performance toward the required standards. The six-month review process consisted of a collaborative work group, which included BellSouth, interested ALECs, and our staff. The group reviewed the Performance Assessment Plan for additions, deletions, and other modifications.

By Order No. PSC-02-1736-PAA-TP, issued December 10, 2002, the proposed changes to BellSouth's Performance Assessment Plan that were agreed upon by the parties participating in the six-month review process set forth in Order No. PSC-02-0187-FOF-TP in Docket 000121A-TP, were adopted.

This Order addresses proposed changes to BellSouth's Performance Assessment Plan that were <u>not</u> agreed upon by the parties participating in the six-month review process. The proposed changes to the remedy structure of the SEEM plan will be addressed by us in a future recommendation.

We are vested with jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Sections 364.01(3) and (4)(g), Florida Statutes. Pursuant to Section 364.01 (3), Florida Statutes, the Florida legislature has found that regulatory oversight is necessary for the development of fair and effective competition in the telecommunications industry. To that end, Section 364.01 (4) (g), Florida Statutes, provides, in part, that we shall exercise exclusive jurisdiction in order to ensure that all providers of telecommunications service are treated fairly by preventing anticompetitive behavior. Furthermore, it is noted that the FCC has encouraged the states to implement performance metrics and oversight for purposes of evaluating the status of competition under the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

### II. Commission Changes to Performance Assessment Plan

The Performance Assessment Plan adopted in Order No. PSC-01-1819-FOF-TP, issued September 10, 2001, in Docket No. 000121A-TP consists of a Service Quality Measurement Plan and a Self-Effectuating Enforcement Mechanism (SEEM) Administrative Plan. As stated previously, in that Order, the parties stipulated that, within the first two years of implementation, BellSouth will participate in six-month review cycles to discuss any proposed changes to the Performance Assessment Plan. On September 25-26, 2002 and October 17-18, 2002, our staff conducted the first six-month review workshop to gauge the effectiveness of BellSouth's permanent performance measures and to determine whether the current remedy structure is effective in driving BellSouth's performance toward the required standards.

In response to the parties' comments at the workshop held September 25-26, and October 17-18, 2002, concerning the proposed changes to the permanent performance measures, our staff developed two separate tables: 1) One that lists proposed changes to the performance measures that were agreed upon by the parties, and 2) One that lists proposed changes to the performance measures that were not agreed upon by the parties. Our staff requested that the parties file respective comments in regards to both tables.

Attachment 1, incorporated herein by reference, is a table summarizing proposed changes to BellSouth's Performance Assessment Plan. The table lists 21 performance measurements and the proposed changes to each measure. The merits of each of the proposed changes are discussed below:

### A. Pre-Ordering

### 1. PO-2 Loop Makeup-Response Time-Electronic

BellSouth proposes to clarify language in the Business Rules to this performance measurement. Specifically, BellSouth requests to delete the references to LENS because all ALEC preorder queries go through TAG to LFACS. In other words, if an ALEC query originates in LENS, it goes from LENS to TAG to LFACS. If an ALEC query originates in TAG, it goes directly to LFACS. Measuring the performance that relates to TAG effectively measures all preorder queries. The ALECs believe that LENS should not be deleted because it continues to be used to access Loop Makeup information. During the six-month review workshop, BellSouth proposed to clarify this by adding language to the business rules to state "LSRs submitted"

via LENS will be reflected in the results for the TAG interface." It is our understanding that all ALEC preorder queries go through TAG to LFACs. We agree that BellSouth should modify the reference to LENS in the Business Rules by adding the clarifying language.

### B. Ordering

### 2. O-2 Acknowledgment Message Timeliness

BellSouth proposes to modify the EDI benchmark for this performance measurement from 100 percent to 99.5 percent. The ALECs argue that the acknowledgment is an electronic handshake that either is or is not transmitting and any variance from 100 percent is an indicator of major system problems that could slow ALEC placement of orders. Our examination of BellSouth's commercial data over the six-month period July through December 2002 shows EDI acknowledgment performance averaged 99.98 percent. We propose an EDI benchmark of 99.9 percent based on the commercial data performance results. We find it is appropriate to require a high benchmark of BellSouth, but agree that perfection may not be attainable.

- 3. 0-3 Percent Flow Through Services Requests (Summary)
- 4. O-4 Percent Flow Through Services Requests (Detail)

The ALECs are proposing that BellSouth increase the benchmarks for UNE and LNP to 90 percent and, furthermore, show UNE-P as an additional level of disaggregation with a benchmark of 95 percent. The ALECs argue that the previously established levels for UNE and LNP are too low for a measurement that only includes what is designed to flow through in the first place. BellSouth contends that the ALECs' proposed benchmarks are inappropriately high. BellSouth noted that the FCC has found that BellSouth's OSS systems are currently capable of flowing through UNE orders in a manner that allows competitive carriers a meaningful opportunity to compete. Our examination of BellSouth's commercial data over the six-month period July through December 2002 shows UNE (other) averaged 85 percent, LNP averaged 87 percent, and UNE-P averaged 92 We find the following benchmarks would facilitate competition: UNE (other) 85 percent, LNP 85 percent, and UNE-P 90 percent.

- 5. 0-7 Percent Rejected Services Request
- 6. O-11 FOC and Reject Response Completeness

BellSouth proposes to exclude "LSRs identified as projects" from both of these measurements. BellSouth argues that projects cannot be accommodated within the normal LSR process. According to BellSouth, projects accounted for .085 percent and .075 percent of the total LSRs submitted in July and August 2002. The ALECs contend that projects are important orders (e.g., trunk and loop orders) and by excluding them from these measurements, a mechanism would not exist to ensure that rejects and confirmations are received in a timely manner.

We agree that projects are important orders; however, as BellSouth stated, the intent of these measurements is to capture LSRs submitted within the normal process. We note that we have already excluded projects from other measures (i.e., Reject Interval and FOC Timeliness). This exclusion allows consistency throughout the measurements. Additionally, BellSouth proposes to provide, upon request, other supporting data files (OSDF) which should satisfy the ALECs' request for information on projects. We agree with BellSouth's position to exclude "LSRs identified as projects" from both of these measurements.

### 7. O-12 Speed of Answer in Ordering Center

BellSouth proposes a report structure change to this measurement. BellSouth requests that the answer time provided to the ALECs be compared to the answer time that BellSouth provides to its retail residential and business customers. The ALECs argue that many interconnection agreements require BellSouth to provide the ALEC service equal to the best service provided to any other BellSouth customer. The best service which the ALECs are entitled to currently receive is the answer time that BellSouth provides to its business customers.

We agree with the ALECs' position. An examination of BellSouth's historical commercial data performance results indicates that the answer time for the ALECs is comparable to BellSouth's business answer times. BellSouth should not combine its Business Service Center and Residence Service Center calls to measure against ALEC performance. We find the ALEC answer time should be compared to BellSouth's Business Service Center answer time.

### C. Provisioning

### 8. P-2A Jeopardy Notice Interval

BellSouth proposes to exclude from this measurement "orders for which a jeopardy is identified on the due date." The measurement has always been structured so this type of jeopardy is excluded. The ALECs argue that this exclusion is too broad. The ALECs propose that BellSouth add additional language to the exclusion section of this measurement that states, "This exclusion only applies when the technician on premises has attempted to provide service but must refer to Engineer or Cable Repair for facility jeopardy." We find the additional language proposed by the ALECs is necessary to prevent the misuse of jeopardies by BellSouth.

9. P-3 Percent Missed Installation Appointments 10. P-3A Percent Missed Installation Appointments Including Subsequent Appointments

BellSouth proposes to add measurement P-3 Percent Missed Installation Appointments to the Florida Service Quality Measurement (SQM) plan with the understanding that measurement P-3A Percent Missed Installation Appointments Including Subsequent Appointments will be removed from the plan.

Measurement P-3A differs from Measurement P-3 in that it includes subsequent appointments. BellSouth noted that the volume of subsequent appointments is very low, the calculation is convoluted, and performance results are very similar to those in measurement P-3. The ALECs provided no factual data supporting its basis for BellSouth to continue capturing subsequent appointment data. We concur with BellSouth's position. This measure shall be removed from this measurement with the understanding that measurement P-3 Percent Missed Installation Appointments will be reinstated in BellSouth's Florida Service Quality Measurement (SQM) plan and added to SEEM Tiers 1 and 2.

Additionally, both BellSouth and the ALECs propose changes to levels of disaggregation and analogs for measurement P-3. The parties appear to be in agreement with the changes listed below. Therefore, BellSouth shall implement the following changes: 1) The UDC product shall be removed from the UNE ISDN. UNE ISDN shall be compared to the retail analog ISDN-BRI. 2) UNE UDC/IDSL shall be compared to the retail analog retail ISDN-BRI. 3) UNE Line Splitting shall be compared to ADSL provided to retail.

The ALECs also propose to exclude from measurement *P-3 Orders Cancelled Prior to the Due Date*. BellSouth objects to the ALECs proposal noting that this is an issue of parity in treatment. In other words, BellSouth is only doing the same for ALECs as it does for itself. Furthermore, according to BellSouth, the ALECs proposal would also exclude orders cancelled that are to be provisioned on the same day they are placed (zero due date orders).

Currently, <u>all</u> cancelled orders are excluded from this measurement. We concur with the ALECs. We find that BellSouth's failure to meet the ALEC customer's due date may cause the customer to cancel the order or even to completely discontinue service with the ALEC. Orders cancelled <u>prior to</u> the due date shall be excluded. Excluding zero due date orders is consistent with excluding orders prior to the due date. Since the cancellation of zero due date orders would, by definition, be cancelled prior to the due date, zero due date orders shall also be excluded from this measure. The exclusion language to measurement *P-3* shall be revised to state "all orders cancelled prior to the due date including orders that are to be provisioned on the same day as they are placed (zero due date orders)."

- 11. P-4 Average Order Completion Interval and Order Completion Interval Distribution
- 12. P-4A Average Order Completion and Completion Notice Interval

BellSouth proposes to add measurement P-4 Average Order Completion Interval and Order Completion Interval Distribution to the Florida SQM plan with the understanding that measurement P-4A Average Order Completion and Completion Notice Interval will be removed from the plan.

Measurement P-4A is the combination of two separate intervals—a provisioning interval (order completion) and an interval for order completion to notification back to the ALEC. BellSouth argues that measurement P-4A does not provide a true indication of how well BellSouth provides provisioning to the ALECs. Additionally, measurement P-4A involves inappropriate duplication in its SQM plan because the interval from order completion to notification back to the ALEC is captured separately in measurement P-5 Average Completion Notice Interval. BellSouth's proposal to add measurement P-4 Average Order Completion Interval and Order Completion Interval Distribution would capture the provisioning interval (order completion) by itself, thus now having two distinct

measurements (i.e., P-4 and P-5) that capture performance of these intervals separately.

The ALECs believe that BellSouth's proposal would be counter to the ALECs' desire to have a calculation of a standard interval across all ILEC regions done in a similar manner. The ALECs are willing to drop measurement P-4A Average Order Completion and Completion Notice Interval if the start time for measurement P-4 Average Order Completion Interval and Order Completion Interval Distribution was changed to "receipt of a valid local service request (LSR)" as captured in other jurisdictions. In other words, the proposed change in the start time to the P-4 measurement would combine two separate intervals—a firm order confirmation (FOC) interval and a provisioning (order completion) interval. The ALECs claim that this change would more accurately reflect customer experience and parity determination.

We disagree with the ALECs' position. Changing the start time for measurement P-4, as requested by the ALECs, would not provide an accurate reflection of parity. Specifically, the FOC process is not captured on the retail side of the ordering process because BellSouth does not submit LSR's to fulfill orders. The FOC process is the time elapsed from the submission of an LSR to distribution of a confirmation receipt back to the ALEC. Furthermore, the ALECs' FOC performance is captured separately in measurement O-9, FOC Timeliness. Adding the FOC interval to measurement P-4 also involves inappropriate duplication in BellSouth's SQM plan and payment of penalties on two measurements that would contain the FOC interval.

Therefore, BellSouth shall be required to add measurement P-4 Average Order Completion Interval and Order Completion Interval Distribution and remove measurement P-4A Average Order Completion and Completion Notice Interval from its SQM. Additionally, measurement P-4 shall be added to SEEM Tiers 1 and 2 because P4A was originally part of the SEEM plan.

Both BellSouth and the ALECs appear to be in agreement with the disaggregation level changes listed below. Therefore, BellSouth shall implement the following changes: 1) The UDC product shall be removed from the UNE BRI. UNE ISDN shall be compared to the retail analog ISDN-BRI. 2) UNE UDC/IDSL shall be compared to the retail analog Retail ISDN-BRI. 3) UNE UCL (non-design) loops shall be included in UNE XDSL level of disagregation. 4) UNE Line Splitting shall be compared to ADSL provided to retail.

### 13. P-7B Coordinated Customer Conversions-Average Recovery Time

The parties agreed to review the existing diagnostic benchmarks for "Unbundled Loops with INP" and "Unbundled Loops with LNP" during the six-month review process. However, the parties could not agree on an acceptable benchmark.

Based on historical commercial data performance results, we think a benchmark of five hours would facilitate improved performance in recovery of coordinated customer conversions. Examination of BellSouth's commercial data performance results over the six-month period July through December 2002 shows recovery of coordinated customer conversions averaged just over seven and one-half hours. We note that the number of monthly coordinated customer conversions are low and the monthly average duration fluctuated widely—from a low of 4.73 hours to a high of 13.6 hours. Hence, a benchmark shall be established at an average of  $\leq 5$  hours in order to encourage improvement by BellSouth in the recovery of coordinated customer conversions.

# 14. P-7C Hot Cut Conversions-Percent Provisioning Troubles Received Within 7 Days of a Completed Service Order.

The ALECs propose to modify the benchmark from 5 percent to 3 percent for UNE Loop Design and Non-Design. The ALECS noted the importance of hot cut troubles, pointing out that a customer would likely discontinue service with the ALEC if performance is bad. BellSouth claims that the ALECs' proposal is unjustified and that hot cut performance is also correlated with other provisioning and maintenance and repair performance measurements. Upon further examination of historical commercial data performance, we find hotcut performance is critical. Therefore, the benchmark shall be changed from 5 percent to 3 percent for UNE Loop Design and Non-Design.

### 15. P-10 Total Service Order Cycle Time

The ALECs propose to remove this measurement from BellSouth's Florida SQM plan if the start time for measurement P-4 Average Order Completion Interval and Order Completion Interval Distribution to receipt of a valid local service request (LSR) is moved. As previously discussed, we do not agree to the change in the start time to measurement P-4.

Measurement P-10 shall be deleted on the basis that it is not currently in the SEEM plan and involves inappropriate duplication

of intervals that are captured separately in three different measures: 1) O-9 FOC Timeliness, which captures the interval for the receipt of a valid local service request; 2) P-4 Average Order Completion Interval and Order Completion Interval Distribution, which captures the interval for provisioning or order completion, and; 3) P-5 Average Completion Notice Interval, which captures the interval for order completion to notification back to the ALEC.

### 16. P-11 Service Order Accuracy

The ALECs propose to modify the definition of this measurement. Specifically, the ALECs request that BellSouth implement an automated process to examine the accuracy of all partially-mechanized orders rather than using a statistically valid sample. Additionally, the ALECs request that BellSouth continue sampling manual orders and that it remove fully-mechanized orders from the sampling process.

BellSouth objects to having to measure both partially-mechanized orders and manual orders. BellSouth argues that two entirely separate measurement processes would have to be set up to deal with both types of orders.

In its November 2002 comments filed with us, BellSouth agreed to the development of automated programs to measure all partialmechanized orders and to the removal of fully-mechanized orders from the sampling process. However, in this docket, on February 21, 2003, BellSouth filed a copy of the Emergency Motion it filed with the Georgia Public Service Commission. By this Emergency Motion, which was actually filed with the Georgia Commission on February 20, 2003, BellSouth requested the establishment of an Industry Taskforce to address significant technical and practical problems in implementing the automated programs to measure all partial-mechanized orders. For example, if a BellSouth service representative encounters a minor problem with an ALEC submitted order, the representative is trained to fix the problem. Thus, the order submitted by the ALEC and the order generated by the service representative would be different. This results in a finding that the service order was inaccurate.

As agreed to by the parties, <u>all</u> partially-mechanized orders should be measured via an automated process and fully-mechanized orders should not be measured. We further concur with BellSouth's Emergency Motion filed in Georgia, that an Industry Taskforce should be established promptly to decide how best to proceed with the implementation of measuring partially-mechanized orders. While

BellSouth's Emergency Motion is not directly pending before us, the relief requested therein has merit, and, as such, we find, on our own motion, that an Industry Taskforce shall be established. During this time, BellSouth should continue to report service order accuracy performance and pay any associated remedies consistent with the current Service Order Accuracy performance measurement.

Manual orders need not be included in this measurement because manual orders are typically a small percentage of the total ordering volume (less than 5 percent) and requiring BellSouth to set up two measuring processes would be unnecessarily burdensome.

The ALECs and BellSouth further disagree on the geographic scope (i.e., state versus region) of the Service Order Accuracy measurement. The ALECs contend that this measurement should be reported on a state-specific basis as accuracy issues may vary with state regulatory requirements. BellSouth notes that the orders are not treated differently according to the state in which they originate. Any difference from state to state is happenstance. BellSouth further found that the universe of certain types of orders in each state is so small that it would be very difficult to obtain a meaningful number of orders. Given BellSouth's position and our finding to change the measuring process, the Service Order Accuracy measurement shall continue on a regional basis.

As agreed to by the parties, the report structure for this measurement shall be modified. BellSouth shall be required to delete the reporting of separate categories based on the number of lines/circuits and whether the order is dispatched or nondispatched.

## 17. M&R-4 Percent Repeat Troubles Within 30 Days

This measurement examines customer trouble reports received on the same line within 30 days of the original customer trouble report. The parties disagree on the time-stamps used to determine the interval between the initial trouble and any subsequent trouble.

The Definition, Business Rules, and Calculation of this measurement provided in BellSouth's SQM are ambiguous. For example, the calculation is stated as "the count of closed customer troubles where more than one trouble report was <u>logged</u> for the same line within a continuous 30 days." The lack of clarity in defining how trouble reports are logged leads to misleading measurement results. BellSouth believes that the term "logged" refers to the

activity of clearing a trouble ticket. According to BellSouth the calculation of the interval of repeat troubles should be from the date the first trouble is <u>cleared</u> to the date the second trouble is received.

The ALECs argue that the interval of repeat troubles should be calculated using the date the first trouble is <u>received</u> to the date the second trouble is received. Under the ALECs' interpretation, performance results would be captured regardless of whether there was actual trouble on the line. If a trouble ticket is received on Monday, but there is no actual trouble on the line, the receipt of a subsequent trouble ticket for the same line would result in a repeat trouble.

We find that the calculation of the interval of repeat troubles should be from the date the first trouble is <u>cleared</u> to the date the second trouble is <u>received</u>. Under the ALECs' proposal of using only receipt dates as time-stamps, it is possible that a repeat trouble would be captured in the calculation of this measurement where there was never any trouble to begin with. Additionally, the intervals would be longer using only receipt dates as time-stamps. This, in turn, may result in fewer repeat troubles within 30 days.

Further, we find that BellSouth shall amend the wording to the Definition, Business Rules, and Calculation sections of measurement M&R-4 Percent Repeat Troubles Within 30 Days SQM to clarify the ambiguity in the time-stamps used to determine the percentage of repeat troubles.

# 18. B-10 Percent Billing Errors Corrected in X Days

This billing dispute metric was initially implemented in May 2002 as a diagnostic measure. The ALECs request that, based on BellSouth's poor performance during June through September 2002, this metric become a SEEM measure. The ALECs believe BellSouth's continuous poor performance is good reason to implement Tier I remedy payments. ALECS believe a remedy payment is necessary to motivate BellSouth toward compliant performance.

BellSouth contends that, to the extent there is a billing error, the amount of the billing error is captured in measure B-1 Invoice Accuracy, with a SEEM penalty already in place. BellSouth believes that the B-10 measure has no direct impact on either the ALEC or the end user. While the error is being disputed, the ALEC withholds payment of the amount in dispute and, therefore, no

negative impact is placed on the ALEC or the end user. BellSouth states that delays in resolving billing disputes cause no adverse impact on the ALEC or end user, and the measure should not be associated with a penalty.

We agree that the amount of billing errors is captured in the B-1 measure, which has a SEEM penalty associated with it. However, the B-10 measure is intended to measure timeliness related to handling bill disputes not bill accuracy. Therefore, there is no double penalty as BellSouth suggests. Untimely dispute resolution impacts the ALEC financially through the time and resources the ALEC must dedicate to research, track and validate disputes. Also untimely resolution of billing disputes may diminish an ALEC's image with its end user. The perception of reduced service quality can cause end users to go elsewhere for a provider.

Our staff recently completed a limited scope review of BellSouth's billing dispute process, in which it studied 2002 billing dispute performance. A sample of 2002 dispute transactions showed that BellSouth averaged nearly three months to process resale and UNE billing disputes during 2002. The sample showed that BellSouth consistently took more than 45 business days to process billing disputes. Furthermore, BellSouth performance for September and October 2002 showed no improvement in meeting the measure. BellSouth did show some improvement in the B-10 results during November and December 2002, but did not provide timely handling of resale disputes in November or of resale and interconnection disputes in December. BellSouth's 2002 dispute handling performance indicates a long term inability to meet acceptable time frames for completing billing disputes.

We agree with the ALECs that prompt billing dispute resolution is important, and that BellSouth's poor performance in resolving 2002 bill disputes within 45 days indicates a penalty should be implemented for the B-10 measure. We find this measure should be state-specific, included in SEEM Tier I and Tier II, and with a benchmark of 90 percent of all billing disputes being completed within 45 business days. In order to set an appropriate penalty provision, the implementation of the penalty will be deferred until the conclusion of our proceding on the remedy structure of the SEEM plan, or 120 days, whichever comes first.

19. TGP-1 Trunk Group Performance-Aggregate 20. TGP-2 Trunk Group Performance-CLEC Specific

BellSouth requested three modifications to its trunk blocking measurements. Two are for additions to the list of exclusions, and one is a benchmark clarification.

First, BellSouth proposes to exclude orders that are delayed or refused by the ALEC from its trunk blocking measurements. According to BellSouth, there are instances in which blocking occurs because the trunking facilities are not adequate, but the actions of the ALEC prevent BellSouth from installing facilities. The ALECs are concerned that BellSouth may claim that the ALECs are holding up the orders when the problem really is that BellSouth is failing to respond to an ALEC inbound trunk group resizing request. However, the ALECs did agree that if we were to allow this exclusion, BellSouth should at least be required to notify the ALEC when such blocking meets this exclusion criteria (orders that are delayed or refused by the ALEC) and report the results, both with and without the exclusions.

We find that "orders that are delayed or refused by the ALEC" shall be excluded from both of these measurements. BellSouth should not be held accountable for circumstances such as this that are beyond its control. BellSouth shall add clarifying language to this exclusion that states, "BellSouth should notify the ALEC when such blocking meets this exclusion criteria (orders that are delayed or refused by the ALEC) and report the results, both with and without the exclusions."

Second, BellSouth proposes to exclude the trunk groups blocked due to unanticipated significant increases in ALEC traffic from these measurements. The ALECs argued that this proposal is too vague. Specifically, an "unanticipated and significant increase" needs to be quantified. In its November 19, 2002 comments, BellSouth stated that an unanticipated significant increase in traffic is indicated by a 20 percent increase for small trunk groups or 1800 CCS for large groups over the previous month's traffic when the increase was not forecasted by the ALEC.

The phrase "trunk groups blocked due to unanticipated significant increases in ALEC traffic" shall be excluded from both of these measurements because this also is a circumstance beyond BellSouth's control. However, to address the ALECs' concern, BellSouth shall add clarifying language to this exclusion that states, "an unanticipated significant increase in traffic is

indicated by a 20% increase for small trunk groups or 1800 CCS for large groups over the previous months traffic when the increase was not forecasted by the ALEC."

Third, BellSouth proposes to clarify the benchmark for trunk blockage. Currently, the language stated for the benchmark is "any two-hour period in 24 hours where CLEC blockage exceeds BellSouth blockage . . ." BellSouth proposes to amend this benchmark to refer to trunk blockage as "any two consecutive hour periods in 24 hours." The debate is over whether the use of two consecutive hours is appropriate or the use of two single hours within a 24-hour period is appropriate. BellSouth currently uses the two consecutive hours as a standard. BellSouth advocates the continued use of two consecutive hour periods because the consecutive two-hour interval is a very strict measure of parity that is not overly sensitive to normal ALEC traffic.

The ALECs believe that the requirement of two consecutive hours of blocking is a means by which BellSouth can ensure that it never pays remedies on this measure. For example, an ALEC could exceed BellSouth's blocking levels every other hour of the 24-hour period and pay no remedy.

Our examination of aggregate commercial data performance results for the six-month period of July through December 2002, shows no two single hours (i.e., non-consecutive hours) within a 24-hour period that trunk blockage occurred. However, the data does show an occurrence of trunk blockage for two consecutive hours in the month of December. Given the historical performance and that this change is merely a clarification to an existing definition, BellSouth shall modify the benchmark to state "any two consecutive hour period in 24 hours."

### D. SEEM Administrative Plan

#### 21. Data Reconciliation

In the ALECs' comments filed on August 30, 2002, the ALECs proposed that BellSouth be required to respond to requests for data reconciliation in a timely manner. Data reconciliation involves comparing BellSouth's data to an ALEC's data and determining the source of any discrepancies. Specifically, the ALECs propose BellSouth that: 1) acknowledge receipt from an ALEC of a request for reconciliation within 24 hours; 2) provide a committed due date for a response within five business days of the request; 3) provide a response to the request within 15 business days of receipt; and, 4) post the data reconciliation policy to the PMAP website.

In its comments filed on November 1, 2002, BellSouth provided a copy of its data reconciliation policy. The policy does address several concerns proposed by the ALECs; however, we are concerned with the level of specificity in the policy regarding BellSouth's committed due date for a response. BellSouth's existing policy states the following:

BellSouth will provide acknowledgment to the inquiring CLEC within 24 hours of issue receipt and will generally make a commitment to provide responses at that time. Generally, requests will be completed within 5 business days on routine issues. . . Requests by CLECs requiring additional investigation or resources will be quoted a commitment date at the time of acknowledgment. . . Generally, these requests can be met within 15 business days based on the request and the amount of data involved. Response times for more complex requests such as data reconciliation and root cause analysis will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

BellSouth should be responsive to requests for clarification from ALECs. Therefore, BellSouth shall amend its data reconciliation policy to reflect that BellSouth will provide a committed due date for a response within five business days of the request, regardless of the type of request (i.e., routine, those that require additional investigation, and complex). If BellSouth were to find in its analysis that the ALECs provided inadequate information for BellSouth to complete the request, BellSouth shall provide the ALECs with a revised committed due date, if deemed necessary. Additionally, BellSouth shall post its data reconciliation policy to its PMAP website.

### E. Other Proposed Changes in Dispute

There were a number of other proposed changes not agreed upon by the parties that were submitted for consideration. We analyzed each of these proposals and determined that the parties making the proposals provided insufficient evidence to convince us that a change was necessary at this time. However, these proposals may be brought back before us in future six-month reviews if additional supportive evidence becomes available. The proposals, along with our staff's analysis for each, are discussed in Attachment 2, which is hereby incorporated by reference.

## III. Modification of Change Management metrics (CM-6 and CM-11)

1. CM-6 Percent of Software Errors Corrected in X (10, 30, 45) Business Days

By Order No. PSC-02-0989-PAA-TP, issued July 22, 2002, in Docket No. 000121A-TP, we ordered the implementation of the metric entitled Percent of  $Software\ Errors\ Corrected$  in X (10, 30, 45)  $Business\ Days$ .

The ALEC coalition contends that the intent of CM-6 is to capture, for each month, the percentage of defects (software errors) repaired within the various prescribed correction intervals. According to the ALECs, the metric should reflect both the percentage of software errors that are due for correction in any month, and also those that are past due for correction. The ALECs state that if software defects are not fixed in the month in which the defect due date falls, then they should be reflected in each following month's report until they are fixed. ALECs argue that BellSouth has a "perverse incentive" to correct only those defects found after August 1, 2002, and that errors existing prior to that time should be also included in the metric.

Presently, in CM-6, BellSouth is reporting the defect corrections episodically — only when the defect is corrected. If a defect is required to be fixed in 30 days and actually takes eight months for correction, it would only be reported once as late according to BellSouth's current methodology. The conclusion of the correction event is the time when BellSouth believes it should be reflected in the metric.

We hold that the metric was intended to capture how many defects were corrected in compliance with their respective due dates no matter when the defect was found. Timeliness is our chief concern, not merely the duration of the correction event. The metric should show how many errors are actually fixed within any month. Therefore, we find that the number of overdue defects shall be shown every month in which they are overdue. Penalties associated with overdue corrections of defects will deter problematic programming. We find that BellSouth should report all outstanding uncorrected defects for CM-6 each month until they are fixed, including all uncorrected defects validated and existing prior to the issuance of Order No. PSC-02-0989-PAA-TP.

The business rules and/or definition of the metric shall be modified as follows: 1) The CM-6 Definition shall read, "Measures

the percent of all outstanding software errors due and overdue to be corrected each month by BellSouth in X ( 10, 30, 45) business days within the monthly report period." 2) The CM-6 Business Rules shall read, "This metric is designed to measure BellSouth's performance each month in correcting identified Software Errors within the specified interval. The clock starts when a Software Error is validated per the Change Control Process, a copy of which can be found at <a href="https://www.interconnection.bellsouth.com/markets/lec/ccp\_live/">www.interconnection.bellsouth.com/markets/lec/ccp\_live/</a>, and stops when the error is corrected and notice is posted to the Change Control Website. The monthly report shall include all defects due and overdue to be corrected within the report period. Software defects are defined as Type 6 Change requests in the Change Control Process."

# 2. CM-11 Percent of Change Requests Implemented Within 60 weeks of Prioritization

The ALEC Coalition argues that the purpose of CM-11 is to determine the percent of CLEC-initiated feature changes implemented within 60 weeks of their prioritization. According to the ALECs, the metric should be calculated each month for three reasons. change requests may come to exceed 60 weeks prioritization before the implementation of a new software release. Second, features have been known to be implemented by BellSouth outside of a release. Third, ALECs must bear the detrimental effects of unimplemented software enhancements on their business plans and end-users every day until they are put into production. BellSouth's current calculation of CM-11 does not account for these The ALEC Coalition argues that reprioritizations of factors. pending change requests are often due to BellSouth's failure to schedule them in the first place. The ALEC Coalition further contends that BellSouth has, for the purposes of CM-11, reported no activity for the months of August and September 2002, despite its interpretation of our order to the contrary.

BellSouth argues that the quarterly prioritization of change requests should drive the report cycle for the metric. BellSouth's response to the ALECs regarding the failure to report August and September 2000 activity is that our order for CM-11 was effective September 1, 2002. However, in the same set of comments on CM-11, BellSouth states to the contrary, ". . . the Commission's order required reporting for diagnostic purposes beginning 'with the next release' which occurred in August."

Both BellSouth and the ALEC Coalition note that our PAA Order No. PSC-02-1094-PAA-TP was issued on August 9, 2002. On page 1 of its response to comments filed by AT&T, BellSouth states that, in the case of CM-11, our Order required August data to be reported for diagnostic purposes. However, later, in the same filing, on page 5, BellSouth gives another interpretation that our Order states "effective September 1, 2002, BellSouth shall implement the metric. . . " That Order, however, states, "BellSouth will begin reporting this measure with the next release for diagnostic purposes and will be measured for SEEM purposes 60 weeks from the first prioritization following Commission approval of measure." We hold that BellSouth should follow its first interpretation of intent and report all release and change request implementation data for August 2002. The data, being only diagnostic, is not subject to financial penalties in SEEM.

In Order No. PSC-02-1094-PAA-TP, we stated that we sought data from BellSouth's next release. Thereafter, BellSouth issued a large and significant software release before the end of August. BellSouth has not included this August data, however, because it contends that our PAA Order did not become final and effective until after the August release date. We don't believe that this is an appropriate application of our decision. While BellSouth is correct in that the PAA Order did not become final and effective until expiration of the protest period and issuance of the Consummating Order, the Order being consummated was an Order issued August 9, 2002, and that Order clearly reflected that data reported should include any subsequent releases. Thus, once the Order became final and effective, BellSouth was bound to include the data as requested in Order No. PSC-02-1094-PAA-TP, which included any data on releases subsequent to that Order. The consummation of that Order did not alter the requirements of the Order; instead, it simply made them final and effective.

Further, any "CLEC affecting" changes that are implemented outside a "release" by BellSouth fall within the requirements of the metric and should be reported. We observe that significant activity did, in fact, take place in September 2002. That activity should have been reported for diagnostic purposes because it occurred after the order was issued. "Changes to Line Share" intervals was implemented in September 2002. It occurred after the effective date of the order. We do not agree with BellSouth that activity subsequent to September 1, 2002, need not be reported.

Our staff and interested parties need to review the diagnostic data in order to gauge the efficacy of the measures. BellSouth shall report its performance for CM-11 for September 2002, including the supporting raw data.

We agree with the ALEC Coalition that the 60-week clock should begin with a prioritization and does not restart with subsequent reprioritizations. Prioritizations occur quarterly. Pending change requests that are reprioritized at those junctures are due to BellSouth's failure to schedule them for releases. To restart the CM-11 60-week cycle each twelve weeks would render the cycle meaningless.

The business rules and/or definition of the metric shall be modified as follows:

- The CM-11 Business Rules shall read, "This metric 1. designed to measure BellSouth's monthly performance in implementing prioritized change The clock starts when a change request requests. has first been prioritized as described in the Change Control Process. The clock stops when the change request has been implemented by BellSouth and made available to the CLECs. BellSouth will begin reporting this monthly measure with the next release for diagnostic purposes, and will be measured for SEEM purposes 60 weeks from the first prioritization meeting following Commission approval of this measure."
- 2. The calculation of the Type 5 ALEC initiated change requests implemented on time shall read, "a= Total number of prioritized Type 5 Change Requests implemented each month that are less than or equal to 60 weeks of age from the date of their first prioritization, plus all other prioritized change requests existing at the end of the month that are less than or equal to 60 weeks of age from prioritization. b= all entries in "a" above plus all Type 5 Change Requests prioritized more than 60 weeks before the end of the monthly reporting period."

3. The calculation of the Type 4 BellSouth initiated Change Requests implemented on time shall read, "a= Total number of prioritized Type 4 Change Requests that are less than or equal to 60 weeks of age from the date of the release prioritization list plus all other Type 4 prioritized change requests existing at the end of the month that are less than or equal to 60 weeks of age from prioritization. b= all entries in "a" above plus all Type 4 Change Requests prioritized more than 60 weeks prioritized more than 60 weeks before the end of the monthly reporting period."

### V. Diagnostic Special Access Measures and Benchmarks

In its August 30, 2002 comments concerning proposed changes to BellSouth's Performance Assessment Program, the ALEC Coalition proposed the adoption of a set of 11 Special Access performance measures endorsed by the Joint Competitive Industry Group (JCIG).

The 11 proposed JCIG special access measures include three that pertain to the ordering function, five that pertain to provisioning, and three that pertain to maintenance and repair. The proposed performance measures, included in Attachment 3, are as follows:

#### Ordering

- FOC Receipt
- FOC Receipt Past Due
- Offered Versus Requested Due Date

#### Provisioning

- On-Time Performance to FOC Due Date
- Days Late
- Average Intervals-Requested/Offered/Installation
- Past Due Circuits
- New Installation Trouble Report Rate

### Maintenance and Repair

- Failure Rate
- Mean Time to Restore
- Repeat Trouble Report Rate

BellSouth argues that performance measures for special access should not be adopted. In support of its position, BellSouth argues: 1) the ALECs have not demonstrated a need to use special access as an alternative to UNEs or interconnection, 2) special access is not one of the market entry vehicles listed in Section 251 of the Act, 3) when the ALECs order special access from the federal tariff, the state commission has no jurisdiction, 4) special access is a competitive market-driven service, 5) BellSouth currently provides superior special access service, and 6) the metrics and standards proposed in this docket by the ALEC Coalition are unrealistic and unachievable.

BellSouth notes that the ALECs "have a choice as to the method of entering and serving the local market" stating that they can either purchase access services from BellSouth's interstate tariffs or purchase UNEs under their interconnection agreements. BellSouth takes exception to the ALECs' contention that special access and network elements are functionally identical.

BellSouth states that the methods of local market entry mentioned in the 1996 Telecommunications Act do not include special access, and notes that Section 251 sets forth the ILECs' duties to provide interconnection, unbundled network elements and resale, but not special access services.

BellSouth maintains that competitive carriers had captured between 28 and 39 percent of the special access market as of 2000, forcing BellSouth to improve its special access service in order to compete. BellSouth points to improvements in the "On Time Provisioning" and "Mean Time to Restore" measures during 2001 and the first half of 2002. In the area of customer service, BellSouth notes that it provides both standard and customized special access reports, and that it provides provisioning and maintenance guarantees under its FCC Special Access Tariff. The company states that special access Service Installation Guarantee credits during 2001 and through mid-2002 totaled \$4.6 million.

Finally, BellSouth also notes that the FCC is engaged in rulemaking that may lead to the adoption of federal performance measures and standards, including special access metrics.

The ALEC Coalition believes special access measures are necessary to protect the quality of service provided by ILEC

special access circuits which link ALECs to the vast majority of large potential end-use customers.

In response to BellSouth's claim that special access is a competitive, market-driven service, the ALEC Coalition notes that though some customers may be reached through Competitive Access Providers, most often the ILEC's special access is "the only game in town" for reaching large business, government and institutional customers beyond their own networks. Without special access, even the larger facility-based ALECs, such as WorldCom, can only reach about 10 percent of the buildings both nationwide and in Florida that house large customers.

In rebuttal to BellSouth's claim that ALECs have not demonstrated a need to use special access as an alternative to UNEs and interconnection, the ALEC Coalition points to FCC rules that restrict the ordering of Enhanced Extended Loops (EELs). These restrictions require a "significant amount of local exchange usage" (i.e. voice traffic) to be carried on an EEL. However, the ALEC Coalition states that because many large telecom users will not "put all their eggs in one telecom provider's basket," UNEs often cannot be used to provide last-mile links between customers and their networks. They also note that ALECs are also restricted to ordering from BellSouth's interstate tariff by the FCC's "10 percent rule" if more than that proportion of interstate traffic is carried.

The ALEC Coalition points out that despite BellSouth's jurisdictional argument, no request is being made that we "regulate" special access services, but instead it is suggesting that we merely monitor BellSouth's performance via diagnostic measures.

The ALEC Coalition also notes that its members have experienced persistent problems with BellSouth's special access service. In the post-271 approval environment, they state that the possibility of backsliding increases greatly.

ALECs point out that several state commissions have been prompted by concerns about poor special access performance to investigate the ILECs' provisioning of these services and how the ILECs' performance should be measured. WorldCom states that it has experienced "persistent special access provisioning problems with

BellSouth" and that it has also "experienced continuing problems with BellSouth's maintenance and repair of special access circuits." Similarly, AT&T claims to have experienced problems.

The ALECs also point out that the FCC noted the importance of special access circuits, and acknowledged the complaints about how ILECs provision them in its November 19, 2001 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FCC 01-339) regarding the development of federal performance measures. The FCC stated that ILEC performance has been "characterized by delay, poor quality and discrimination." The ALECs note that the FCC also sought input on the potential role of state commissions. The ALECs state that we should move forward with monitoring special access because FCC action may not be taken soon enough to prevent significant detriment to ALECs. They also note that such monitoring efforts will assist both the FCC and the FPSC in determining the need for special access performance measures.

In response to BellSouth's claims of providing superior service, WorldCom and AT&T state that they are prohibited from publicly disclosing BellSouth's results due to confidentiality requirements imposed by BellSouth. AT&T does compare BellSouth's performance to that of seven other access service providers that self-report to AT&T. Blocked by confidentiality from providing specific results, AT&T notes that BellSouth's performance falls within the lower half for seven of what it calls the ten "critical" direct measures of special access quality. WorldCom notes that it differs with BellSouth over the business rules and exclusions that it uses in calculating its special access performance results.

Finally, in response to BellSouth's point that the FCC is engaged in rulemaking that may lead to the adoption of federal special access metrics, the ALEC Coalition notes that there is no date or timetable for the FCC to act and that several states have chosen not to wait on the FCC in this matter.

We agree with BellSouth that, in some cases, special access is a competitive product, but notes that the ALEC Coalition's numbers show it is far more common that BellSouth is the dominant or sole provider available to ALECs. We note that to BellSouth, special access service paradoxically represents both a revenue <u>source</u> and a means of assisting with the <u>loss</u> of valuable customers.

Therefore, an incentive could exist for BellSouth to provide subpar special access service and provisioning.

Regarding the ALEC Coalition's contention that BellSouth's special access performance has been poor and BellSouth's contention that it provides superior service, we hold it wise to implement diagnostic measures as a means of gathering data to study this issue. We note that ALEC and BellSouth claims paint conflicting pictures of the quality of BellSouth's special access service. In defense of its performance, BellSouth cites \$4.6 million in special access customer credits or penalties, which would seem, in fact, to support the ALECs' position.

In the matter of state versus federal jurisdiction, we agree with the ALEC Coalition that if we adopt diagnostic performance measures, we will not be exercising regulatory authority over BellSouth's interstate special access services; we will merely be monitoring BellSouth's performance in this area. We hold that we have both a right and a substantial obligation to determine whether BellSouth's performance in this area could be harming ALECs. At a minimum, we are authorized by Section 364.27, Florida Statutes, to investigate interstate matters that arise in this state and to report any unlawful or discriminatory practices related thereto to the FCC.

Because the ALEC Coalition's proposed diagnostic measures would not trigger remedy payments, there is no really adverse impact to BellSouth even if the JCIG measures were eventually proven to be unrealistic or unachievable. In fact, adopting diagnostic measures and collecting data for a period of time will aid us in determining what level of performance is achievable in the next six-month performance measures review. We note that the reporting of diagnositc measures should not undermine the ability of the parties to negotiate commercially acceptable terms for special access services that differ from those inherent in these special access metrics.

BellSouth has previously been directed by the Georgia Public Service Commission and the Tennessee Regulatory Authority to implement these diagnostic special access measures. Therefore, capturing Florida results for these measures will not be burdensome to the company.

# V. Reposting of Performance Data and Recalculation of SEEM payments

By Order No. PSC-01-1819-FOF-TP, issued September 10, 2001, we ordered BellSouth to produce complete and accurate performance measurement reports. A \$400 per day penalty was required if <u>any</u> of the required data was not calculated as specified in the Service Quality Measurement plan.

During the six-month review, our staff became aware of a reposting policy that BellSouth had unilaterally implemented. Our staff obtained a copy of that reposting policy upon request on November 1, 2002. The policy BellSouth has implemented is as follows:

# BellSouth's Policy On Reposting Of Performance Data and Recalculation of SEEM Payments

BellSouth will make available reposted performance data as reflected in the Service Quality Measurement ("SQM") reports and the Monthly State Summary ("MSS") report and recalculate Self-Effectuating Enforcement ("SEEM") payments using the Parity Analysis and Remedy Information System (PARIS), to the extent technically feasible, under the following circumstances:

- (1) Only those measures included in a state's specific SEEM plan with corresponding sub-metrics are subject to reposting. The measures subject to reposting will be adjusted to reflect any changes in the measures included in the SEEM plans.
- (2) Performance sub-metric calculations for SEEM Measures as reflected in the MSS that result in a shift in the performance in the aggregate from an "in parity" condition to an "out of parity" condition will be available for reposting.
- (3) Performance sub-metric calculations for SEEM Measures with benchmarks that are in an "out of parity" condition will be available for reposting whenever there is a greater than 2% deviation in performance at the sub-metric level, provided that

there are at least 100 CLEC transactions in the sub-metric.¹

- (4) Performance sub-metric calculations for SEEM Measures with retail analogues that are in an "out of parity" condition will be available for reposting whenever there is a .5 change in the z-score at the sub-metric level, provided that there are at least 100 CLEC transactions in the sub-metric.<sup>2</sup>
- (5) Performance data will be available with the updated data for a maximum of three months in arrears. Performance data charts (MSS Charts) that incorporate updated data will only be generated as part of the normal monthly production cycle. A notice will be placed on the PMAP website advising CLECs when reposted data is available.
- When updated performance data has been (6) available for reposting or when a payment error in PARIS has been discovered, BellSouth recalculate applicable SEEM payments. Where technically feasible, SEEMS payments will be subject to recalculation for a maximum of three months in arrears from the date updated performance data was made available or the date when the payment error was discovered.
- (7) Any adjustments for underpayment of Tier 1 and Tier 2 calculated remedies will be made consistent with the terms of the state-specific SEEM plan, including the payment of interest. Any adjustments

¹This 100 CLEC transaction threshold does not apply to those sub-metrics associated with Local Interconnection Trunks and those performance measures involving BellSouth's collocation and change management performance.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>This 100 CLEC transaction threshold does not apply to those sub-metrics associated with Local Interconnection Trunks and those performance measures involving BellSouth's collocation and change management performance.

for overpayment of Tier 1 and Tier 2 remedies will be made at BellSouth's discretion.

(8) Any adjustments for underpayments will be made in the next month's payment cycle after the recalculation is made. The final current month PARIS reports will reflect the transmitted dollars, including adjustments for prior months where applicable. Questions regarding the adjustments should be made in accordance with the normal process used to address CLEC questions related to SEEM payments.

On November 19, 2002, the ALEC Coalition filed comments in the six-month review, which included comments on the BellSouth reposting policy described above. The Coalition, comprised of AT&T, Worldcom, Covad, Deltacom and Mpower, identified three major concerns with the reposting policy. The first is that BellSouth's policy is inappropriate because it allows BellSouth to report incorrect data. The second is that it does not require BellSouth to adequately calculate SEEM remedies, and the third is that the policy violates our Performance Measure Order (PSC-01-1819-FOF-TP).

More specifically, the Coalition stated that only 37 of the 74 measures ordered by us are subject to correction if errors are detected. Additionally, the exclusion for less than 100 transactions shields a significant number of sub-metrics from error correction. The Coalition explains that in the September 2002 MSS report for Florida, there were 183 sub-metrics with noncompliant performance at the aggregate level. Of the 183, 82 had less than 100 transactions. Therefore, 45 percent of the sub-measures would not be corrected if found to be in error.

The Coalition was also concerned with the less than 2 percent thresholds for benchmark measures and the .5 percent z-score change threshold for parity measures. The Coalition believes that this exclusion can hide a large quantity of errors in the original data. Additionally, the policy does not appear to require correction of ALEC-specific SQM reports when aggregate reposting occurs.

In the recent 271 evaluation conducted by the Department of Justice and the FCC, both identified concerns with this policy which was provided to them during the 271 application process. The October 25, 2002 Department of Justice (DOJ) evaluation noted

several concerns regarding BellSouth's reposting policy. The DOJ stated that it was concerned about the potential effect of this policy on the accuracy of BellSouth's reported performance data. The DOJ stated that it believes that carriers and regulators alike have an interest in the reliability of data. The DOJ requested that the FCC carefully examine the policy to ensure that it does not conceal inaccuracies in BellSouth's performance reporting.

Paragraph 16 of the FCC 271 Memorandum Opinion and Order for WC Docket No. 02-307 encourages the state commissions to continue their review of BellSouth's reposting policy, particularly the impact of the 100 transactions reposting trigger, the omission of some performance measures from the reposting policy, and the potential impact of the reposting policy on penalty payments.

BellSouth filed an affidavit with the FCC discussing its rationale for its reposting policy. BellSouth, through the affidavit of Alphonso J. Varner, stated that it believes that BellSouth's reposting policy reflects a careful and necessary balance between retroactively restating data where corrections would produce meaningful changes, keeping the data stable enough to be useful to CLECs and regulators alike, and producing enormous amounts of data.

Varner stated that the parameters set forth in the policy are designed to ensure that any data that changes in a potentially meaningful way are reposted retroactively; data that changes in minor ways, conversely, should not be reposted retroactively. Reposting every data point, without regard to the significance of the change, would cause confusion among the data users and could jeopardize the production of the current month's data without adding any value to the overall assessment of BellSouth's performance vis-à-vis its wholesale customers.

Paragraph nine of Varner's affidavit stated that state commission approval of this policy is not necessary given BellSouth's obligation to implement policies necessary to effectuate its obligation to post accurate performance data. Varner does state, however, that state commissions can amend the reposting policy in their six-month review process.

Varner stated that it is necessary to understand the cost and effort in reposting performance data. He stated that the rerun (the loading of the data, the reprocessing of the data, and the

reformatting and publication of the reports) typically will take three to four days to complete on the servers for each month reposted. Upon completion, another two to three days are spent validating the results.

BellSouth's justification for the 100-transaction minimum arises out of its assessment that a two percentage point change constitutes a potentially meaningful change in the data. With less than 100 transactions, a change in one record would constitute a "meaningful" change at the 2 percent level, a fact that does not appear reasonable on its face. With a 100-transaction minimum, BellSouth stated that at least two records must change to necessitate reposting the data. To illustrate the impact, there are about 2100 sub-metrics for the Resale and UNE modes of entry in the MSS. For the months of May through August, the maximum number of those sub-metrics in the Florida MSS that could have been affected by the 100-transaction criterion is minimal as shown below.

Money	Sub-metrics < 100 Transactions
May	68
June	69
July	74
August	76

BellSouth concludes that reposting data without regard to the significance of a potential change could cause confusion among data users, adds unnecessary cost to the process, and jeopardizes the production of the next month's data without adding any value to the overall assessment of BellSouth's performance.

We ordered BellSouth to provide complete and accurate reports and instituted a \$400 per day penalty <u>if any</u> of the required data was not calculated as specified in the SQM plan. Instead, BellSouth unilaterally developed and implemented its own policy regarding when it will and when it will not repost inaccurate data. By implementing this reposting policy, BellSouth has avoided the imposition of penalties and has admitted that the PMAP results it

publishes are not totally accurate. We disagree with several provisions of the policy that BellSouth has implemented.

First, we disagree that only SEEM measures should be reposted. All of the measures in the SQM are important for ongoing monitoring; otherwise, they would not have been ordered by us. BellSouth's assumption that only the SEEM measures are important is not valid. Each of the measures ordered by us is essential in developing a complete picture of competitive entry. Non-SEEM measures were ordered for diagnostic purposes. It is hard to use them as such if the data being reported is not reliable. If there is a significant shift in performance on any measure, the data should be reposted. Additionally, BellSouth shall be required to provide the ALECs and us with the reason for any restatements.

Secondly, we do not agree with the 100-transaction threshold for reporting errors. In the December 2002, MSS report, there were 204 missed sub-measures. Of those measures missed, 101 had less than 100 transactions, which means these results would not be subject to revision. For purposes of ALEC and regulatory oversight, the data needs to be as accurate as possible. We hold that there should not be a transaction limitation. Any reposting policy, if necessary, should be based on the relative significance of change of the results, rather than on the number of transactions affected. We can agree with BellSouth's proposed significance level of 2 percent for benchmark measures and the .5 change in z scores for analog measures if the 100-transaction requirement is eliminated.

We order BellSouth to revise its reposting policy to include all SQM measurements and to eliminate the 100-transaction threshold. Additionally, BellSouth shall provide to us and to ALECs the reasons for any repostings. BellSouth shall be required to implement them within 60 days of the this Proposed Agency Action Order, unless the order is protested.

By Order No. PSC-02-1736-PAA-TP, issued December 10, 2002, the proposed changes to BellSouth's Performance Assessment Plan that were agreed upon by the parties participating in the six-month review process in Docket 000121A-TP were adopted. The Order failed, however, to specify an implementation date for these changes. We find that the changes required in Order No. PSC-02-1736-PAA-TP should be implemented within 60 days of our Proposed Agency Action Order relating to Sections one through four above.

We note that Order PSC-02-1736-PAA-TP was not protested, therefore, the changes approved therein are already final and effective.

The docket shall remain open to conduct the periodic six month review cycles of the performance assessment plan outlined in Order No. PSC-01-1819-FOF-TP.

Based on foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. implement the above changes to the Performance Assessment Plan as reflected in Attachment 1, herein incorporated by reference. It is further

ORDERED that implementation of the penalty for measurement B-10 Percent Billing Errors Corrected in X Days of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Performance Assessment Plan shall be deferred until conclusion of this Commission proceeding on the remedy structure of the SEEM plan, or 120 days from the date of issuance of this Order, whichever comes first. It is further

ORDERED that an Industry Taskforce shall be established to address the problems encountered in calculating the Service Order Accuracy performance measurement. It is further

ORDERED that BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. shall include in CM-11 of the Performance Assessment Plan, any "CLEC-affecting" changes and August 2002 data as previously ordered within 60 days from the issuance date of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that the business rules and/or definition of CM-11 metric shall be modified as indicated in Section III2 of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. shall report all outstanding uncorrected defects for the CM-6 metric each month in which they are overdue until they are fixed, including all uncorrected defects validated and existing prior to the issuance of Order No. PSC-02-0989-TP. It is further

ORDERED that BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. shall include in the Performance Assessment Plan the diagnostic special access measures and benchmarks included in Attachment 3, herein

incorporated by reference, and shall implement them within 60 days of the date of issuance of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. revise its reposting policy in the Performance Assessment Plan to include all SQM measurements and to eliminate the 100-transaction threshold and provide to this Commission and the ALEC Coalition the reasons for any repostings.

ORDERED that the revisions to the Performance Assessment Plan required by Order No. PSC-02-1736-PAA-TP, issued December 10, 2002 shall be implemented within 60 days of the date of this Proposed Agency Action Order, unless protested. It is further

ORDERED that the provisions of this Order, issued as proposed agency action, shall become final and effective upon the issuance of a Consummating Order unless an appropriate petition, in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code, is received by the Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on the date set forth in the "Notice of Further Proceedings" attached hereto. It is further

ORDERED that in the event a protest is filed, the resolution of the protest shall be addressed during the six-month review process. It is further

ORDERED that in the event this Order becomes final, this docket shall remain open.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this <u>22nd</u> day of <u>April</u>, <u>2003</u>.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services

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#### NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing that is available under Section 120.57, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

The action proposed herein is preliminary in nature. Any person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this order may file a petition for a formal proceeding,

in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on May 13, 2003.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final and effective upon the issuance of a Consummating Order.

Any objection or protest filed in this/these docket(s) before the issuance date of this order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

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Item	Performance Measure and Recommended Changes
	Pre-Ordering
1.	PO-2 Loop Makeup-Response Time-Electronic
	Delete reference to LENS in business rules and add clarifying language to state "LRS submitted via LENS will be reflected in the results for the TAG interface".
	Ordering
2.	0-2 Acknowledgment Message Timeliness
	Benchmark for EDI should be changed to "99.9%".
3. 4.	O-3 Percent Flow Through Service Requests (Summary) O-4 Percent Flow Through Service Requests (Detail)
	The following modifications should be made to the benchmarks:  UNE 85%  UNE-P 90%  LNP 85%
5.	0-7 Percent Rejected Services Request
	Add "LSRs identified as projects" to Exclusions.
6.	0-11 FOC and Reject Response Completeness
	Add "LSRs identified as projects" to Exclusions.
7.	0-12 Speed of Answer in Ordering Center
	BellSouth should not combine its Business Service Center and Residence Service Center calls to measure against CLEC performance. CLEC answer time should be compared to BellSouth's Business Service Center answer time.

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		Provisioning
8.	P-2A	Jeopardy Notice Interval
		Add "Orders for which a jeopardy is identified on the due date" Exclusions. BellSouth should further note in the exclusion language that "This exclusion only applies when the technician on premise has attempted to provide service but must refer to Engineer or Cable Repair for facility jeopardy".
9.	P-3	Percent Missed Installation Appointments
		a. Add this measurement to the Florida SQM
		b. The UDC product should be removed from the UNE ISDN category in the disaggregation of this measure. UNE ISDN should be compared to the retail analog ISDN-BRI.
		c. UNE UDC/IDSL should be compared to the retail analog retail IDSN-BRI in the disaggregation of this measure.
		d. UNE Line Splitting should be compared to ADSL provided to Retail in the disaggregation of this measure.
		e. Add "all orders cancelled prior to the due date and orders that are to be provisioned on the same day as they are placed (zero due date orders)" to the list of Exclusions.
10.		Percent Missed Installation Appointments Including Subsequent Appointments Eliminate this measurement.

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Item	Perf	ormance Measure and Recommended Changes
11.	P-4	Average Order Completion Interval and Order Completion Interval Distribution
		a. Add this measurement to the Florida SQM.
		b. The UDC product should be removed from the UNE ISDN category in the disaggregation of this measure. UNE ISDN should be compared to the retail analog ISDN-BRI.
		c. UNE UDC/IDSL should be compared to the retail analog ISDN-BRI in the disaggregation of this measure.
		d. UNE UCL (non-design) loops should be included in UNE XDSL level of disaggregation.
		e. UNE Line Splitting should be compared to ADSL provided to Retail in the disaggregation of this measure.
		f. Add this measurement to SEEM Tier 1 and Tier 2.
12.	P-4A	Average Order Completion and Completion Notice Interval Distribution
		Eliminate this measurement.
13.	P-7B	Coordinated Customer Conversions-Average Recovery Time
		a. Modify the benchmark for Unbundled Loops with INP. Replace "Diagnostic" with "≤5 hours".
		b. Modify the benchmark for Unbundled Loops with LNP. Replace "Diagnostic" with "≤5 hours".

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<b>Item</b>	Performance Measure and Recommended Changes
14.	P-7C Hot Cut Conversions-% Provisioning Troubles Received Within 7 Days of a Completed Service Order  Modify the benchmark for UNE Loop Design and UNE Loop Non-Design. The benchmark for both should be "<3%"
15.	P-10 Total Service Order Cycle Time  Eliminate this measurement.
16.	a. Modify the Definition of measurement: BellSouth should measure all partially mechanized orders via a mechanized process. Fully-mechanized and non-mechanized orders would not be sampled.  b. Establish an Industry Taskforce to address practical and technical problems encountered in calculating service order accuracy performance based on an automated review of partial-mechanized orders. During this time, BellSouth should continue to report service order accuracy performance and pay any associated remedies consistent with the current Service Order. Accuracy performance measurement.  c. Modify the Report Structure: Delete "Reported in categories of < 10 line/circuits:≥10

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Item	Performance Measure and Recommended Changes
	Maintenance and Repair
17.	M&R-4 Percent Repeat Troubles Within 30 Days
	a. The calculation of the interval of repeat troubles should be from the date the first trouble is cleared to the date the second trouble is received.
	b. Amend the wording to the Definition, Business Rules, and Calculation sections of measurement M&R-4 Percent Repeat Troubles Within 30 Days SQM to clarify the ambiguity in the time-stamps used to determine the percentage of repeat troubles.
	Billing
18.	B-10 Percent Billing Errors Corrected in X Days
	a. The geographic scope of the measurement should be regional and state specific.
	b. Add to SEEM Tier I and Tier II.
	c. Benchmark should be 90 percent of all billing disputes being completed within 45 business days.

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	Trunk Group Performance
19. 20.	TGP-1 Trunk Group Performance-Aggregate TGP-2 Trunk Group Performance-CLEC Specific
	a. Add "orders that are delayed or refused by the ALEC" to the list of "Exclusions".
	b. BellSouth should be required to notify the ALEC when such blocking meets this exclusion criteria (orders that are delayed or refused by the ALEC) and report the results, both with and without the exclusions.
	c. Add "trunk groups blocked due to unanticipated significant increases in ALEC traffic" to list of "Exclusions".
	d. BellSouth should note in its SQM that an unanticipated significant increase in traffic is indicated by a 20% increase for small trunk groups ro 1800 CCS for large groups over the previous months traffic when the increase was not forecast by the ALEC.
	e. Modify benchmark for trunk blockage to "any two consecutive hour period in 24 hours".

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	SEEM Administrative Plan
21.	Data Reconciliation
	a. In response to CLEC requests for data reconciliation, BellSouth should make an initial acknowledgment of receipt of the request.
	b. In response to CLEC requests for data reconciliation, BellSouth should provide a committed due date for a response within five business days of the request.
	c. BellSouth's Data Reconciliation policy should be posted to BellSouth's PMAP website.

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	Pre-Ordering
1.	OSS-2 OSS Availability (Pre-Ordering/Ordering) OSS-3 OSS Availability (M&R)
	The ALECs propose to modify business rules regarding downtime.
	ALECs propose to add language clarifying that if any one component of the route to its backend systems is down, all the other components on that route will be counted down as well. Based on staff's current understanding, staff believes only a component that is actually down should be measured as being down. Many of these systems are transparent to the ALEC and do not effect the service provide to them. Capturing down time for systems that do not affect the ALECs is unfair to BellSouth. At this time, staff also agrees with BellSouth that it is not proper to include in the denominator for this measure the scheduled hours of operability in the month where the whole route to the backend system is up.
	Ordering
2.	O-3 Percent Flow-Through Service Requests (Summary) O-4 Percent Flow-Through Service Requests (Detail)
	The ALECS propose for BellSouth to measure "achieved/total" flow-through.
	The ALECS did not provide enough factual data to support a change to this measurement. Staff contends that an "achieved/total" flow-through measurement is not necessary, noting that not every order is designed to flow-through without manual intervention. The current method of measuring flow-through appears to be appropriate at this time.

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<b>Item</b>	Performance Measurement and Proposed Changes	
3.	0-8 Reject Interval	
	a. The ALECS propose to delete in the Exclusion of the SQM -"LSRs identified as projects."	
	Staff believes the intent of this measurement is to capture LSR rejects within the normal process. This Commission has already excluded projects from other measures. Additionally, BellSouth's Other Supporting Data Files (OSDF) should satisfy the ALECs' request for information on projects.	
	b. ALECs propose to modify Exclusions of SQMChange "LCSC" to "center(s)".	
	The ALECs have not provided sufficient rebuttal to BellSouth's position that the Complex Resale Services Group (CRSG) only handles complex orders and is a manual process all together. Additionally, the CRSG handles a small volume of orders.	
	c. ALECs propose to modify the benchmark for partially mechanized to < 5 hrs and non-mechanized to < 10 hrs.	
	The ALECs did not provide enough factual data to support their position. Staff's examination of commercial data proved to be inconclusive. Only have four months of data where these benchmarks were recently changed.	

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Item .	Performance Measurement and Proposed Changes	
4.	O-9 FOC Timeliness	
	a. BellSouth proposes to modify the benchmark to reduce the benchmark for fully mechanized FOCs from 95 percent within 3 hours to 94 percent within 3 hours.	
	In BellSouth's comments filed in November 2002, BellSouth requested for additional time conduct further analysis of its FOC data to determine if certain product groups or ordering types are consistently affected by the requirement for an electronic facility check. In it's January 2003 Response to Action Items BellSouth stated that one percent of its total LSRs submitted in October and November 2002 required an electronic facilities check. The incremental time to perform the facilities check consumed half (or more) of the allotted 3 hour interval to return a fully mechanized FOC. Consequently, to account for the additional time required to perform the electronic facility check, BellSouth proposes to reduce the benchmark for fully mechanized FOCs from 95 percent within 3 hours to 94 percent within 3 hours.	
	In response to BellSouth's position, The ALECs stated that BellSouth produced no data in support of its request that the FOC standard should be lessened for all sub-measures. The ALECs further contend that BellSouth's reported data indicates that it is performing far better than the current 95 percent within 3 hour standard for many sub-measures.	

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#### O-9 FOC Timeliness (continued)

Staff's examination of the FOC commercial data confirms the ALECs' analysis. Additionally, although BellSouth claims that a facilities check requires an hour and half to perform, BellSouth provided no information as to the additional time beyond the hour and half it took to return the FOC. Staff concurs with the ALECs contention that BellSouth provide additional supporting data to assist staff in assigning a change to this benchmark. Staff believes the benchmark should not be modified at this time based on the arguments presented.

b. The ALECs propose to modify disaggregation to include projects (diagnostic).

Staff believes the intent of this measurement is to capture LSRs submitted within the normal process. This Commission has already excluded projects from other measures. According to BellSouth, for July and August 2002, projects accounted for .085 percent and .075 percent of the total LSRs submitted. Additionally, BellSouth's Other Supporting Data Files (OSDF) should satisfy the ALECs' request for information on projects.

c. The ALECs propose to modify the benchmark for partially mechanized to < 5 hrs and non-mechanized to < 10 hrs.</p>

The ALECs did not provide enough factual data to support their position. Staff's examination of commercial data proved to be inconclusive. Only have four months of data where these benchmarks were recently changed.

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Item	Performance Measurement and Proposed Changes
5.	O-11 FOC and Reject Response Completeness
	The ALECs propose to modify benchmark from 95 percent to 97 percent.
	The ALECs did not provide enough factual data to support their position. While staff is aware that BearingPoint recommended a benchmark of 99 percent, staff believes this is unreasonable given the considerable change in magnitude. According to BellSouth, at a 95 percent benchmark, BellSouth would be allowed to miss 1 in 20 opportunities and still achieve acceptable performance. A 97 percent benchmark would allow BellSouth to miss only 1 in 33 opportunities. This represents a 40 percent increase in the required level of performance. Staff's examination of recent commercial data reveals that with a benchmark of 95 percent for UNE, BellSouth is not consistently passing for all product categories.
6.	0-12 Speed of Answer in Ordering Center
	a. The ALECs propose to delete in the business rules: "service" & "LCSC."
	b. The ALECs propose to add to the SQM: Report Structure-CRSG and EC Support Desk.
	c. ALECs propose to delete: Data retained "LCSC". d. ALECs propose to add to disaggregation: CRSG -

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	O-12 Speed of Answer in Ordering Center (continued)  The ALECs did not provide enough factual data to support their position. Staff concurs with BellSouth's position that the effect on these changes is that BellSouth would "add the Complex Resale Services Group (CRSG) and Electronic Commerce-Single Point of Contact support desks to the order centers measured." In other words, the ALECs propose to take the speed of answer in the order center (LCSC) and add it to the speed of answer in two centers that are functionally very different from the LCSC, combining the LCSC with the CRSG or EC-SPOC would no longer provide for a like-to-like comparison with the retail analog.
	Provisioning
7.	P-1 Mean Held Order Interval & Distribution Intervals  The ALECS propose to add this measurement to SEEM.  Staff contends that this measurement is correlated with Missed Installation Appointments which is already in SEEM. ALECs provided no new information in support of their position. According to BellSouth, the activity that has been measured to date has been of an extremely low volume (less than 2 percent of orders held past the due date). Staff confirmed the low volume based on examination of commercial data (Sep-Nov 2002).

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Item	Performance Measurement and Proposed Changes
8.	P-2A Jeopardy Notice Interval P-2B Percentage of Orders Given Jeopardy Notices
	The ALECs propose to add these measurements to SEEM.
	Staff agrees with BellSouth's position at that this time that there should be no additional penalty levied for measurements that involve simply informing the ALEC that a missed commitment is a possibility. BellSouth's SEEM already has penalties associated with missed commitments. The effect on the customer comes from a missed appointment, not a jeopardy that might result in a miss. Service not delivered on schedule date is captured in Missed Installation Appointment Measurement. Staff believes that BellSouth should work to improve performance in this area, but does not believe penalties are warranted at this time.
9.	P-3 Percent Missed Installation Appointments
	a. The ALECs propose to delete: exclusion for "Disconnect (D) & From (F) orders".
	The ALECs did not provide enough factual data to support their position. Staff agrees with BellSouth's position that D and F orders should be excluded, because missed appointments for these orders do not have the sort of impact on customers that missing other types of installation appointments would undeniably have. Although a D and F order is designated as an appointment, there is no actual "appointment" with a customer. Impact of missing a D or F appointment would not be on the customer, but rather on the ALEC. Although the ALECs allege that a billing problem could occur, they describe no scenario under which this could actually happen.

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Item.	Performance Measurement and Proposed Changes
	P-3 Percent Missed Installation Appointments (continued)
	b. The ALECS propose to add to SQM disaggregation-ALEC disconnect requests-dispatch - Benchmark of 95 percent on time.
	c. ALECs propose to add to SQM Disaggregation-ALEC disconnect requests-central office - Benchmark of 95 percent on time.
	d. ALECs propose to add to SQM Disaggregation-BST disconnects due to migrations-dispatch - Benchmark of 95 percent on time.
	e. ALECs propose to add to SQM Disagg-BST disconnect due to migrations-central office - Benchmark of 95 percent on time.
	The ALECs did not provide enough factual data to support their position in b through e above. ALECs have provided no rationale as to why the disaggregation is needed or why the benchmark should be at 95 percent.
10.	P-5 Average Completion Notice Interval
	The ALECs propose to add this measurement to SEEM.
	At this time, staff agrees with BellSouth's position that the ACNI measurement has little to no affect on the customer. As noted by BellSouth, if the ALECs believe that they need to have notice of order completion almost immediately, they always have the option of obtaining it themselves. Order status is listed on CSOTS which appears both on the BellSouth website and as part of TAG and LENS interface.

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## Item Performance Measurement and Proposed Changes

a. ALECs propose to add this measurement to SEEM Tier 1, once BST has mechanized this measure.

The ALECs did not provide enough factual data to show that this measurement needs to be added to SEEM Tier 1. Additionally, the calculation of this measurement is being changed. At the request of BellSouth, staff agrees to the establishment of an Industry Taskforce to determine how to best proceed with implementation of measuring Service Order Accuracy. Staff contends that adding this measurement to SEEM Tier 1 during this six-month review would be premature.

b. ALECs propose to add to definition of SQM: definition-"orders that require manual handling" and also "For manually submitted orders where CLECs have no alternative, BST will use a sampling process of non-mechanized/manually submitted LSR".

Staff is proposing that BellSouth measure all partially mechanized orders via a mechanized process. Fully-mechanized and non-mechanized orders would not be sampled.

c. ALECS propose to delete:: Exclusion for "Listing Orders".

At this time, staff agrees with BellSouth's position. BellSouth argues that it is not practical to provide information on listings as part of this measurement. The directory listings information is not captured in the measurement, Missed Installation Appointments, and the data compiled for that measurement is the source from which samples are pulled for the SOA measurement. Additionally, directory listing information is part of measurement D-2.

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	Maintenance and Repair
12.	M&R-1 Missed Repair Appointments M&R-2 Customer Trouble Report Rate M&R-3 Maintenance Average Duration M&R-4 Percent Repeat Trouble within 30 Days M&R-5 Out of Service > 24 Hours
	ALECs propose to add verbiage to exclusion section to each of these measurements: Add verbiage "The number of trouble tickets excluded will be reported for this measure"
	BellSouth's proposal of providing Other Supporting Data File (OSDF) information should satisfy the ALECs' request of including "excluded" raw data.
13.	M&R-4 Percent Repeat Trouble within 30 Days
	ALECs propose to add to the business rules: Include "Troubles closed to a non-excluded code will be counted as repeats even if the prior trouble closure was an excluded code."
	The ALECs did not provide enough factual data to support their position. Additionally, staff agrees with BellSouth's position at this time that the ALECs' proposal is inappropriate because there is no "repeat trouble", instead, there are two separate troubles—one attributable to the customer and a second (which is the first) attributable to BellSouth. The ALECs propose the counting of a second trouble as a "repeat", even if the first trouble was not the fault of BellSouth, but is rather something properly attributable to the customer.

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	Billing
14.	B-5 Usage Data Delivery Timeliness
	The ALECs propose to add this measurement to SEEM.
	The ALECs did not provide enough factual data to show that this measurement needs to be added to SEEM. Staff agrees with BellSouth's position at this time that daily usage data is only necessary for billing if customers are billed on a usage basis. The overwhelming majority of ALECs bill their customers a flat fee for local service. Recent commercial data results show no indication of discrimination in performance for this measurement.
	Trunk Group Performance
15.	TGP-1 Trunk Group Performance Aggregate TGP-2 Trunk Group Performance CLEC Specific
	a. ALECs propose to add to Business Rules: "Any trunk group blocking for more than an hour four times during the month is counted even if those times vary from the time-of-day analysis."
	The ALECs did not provide enough factual data to support their position. According to BellSouth, the ALECs propose to deal with the "time consistent busy hour." ALECs contend that the use of time consistent busy hour is not a proper way to measure trunk blockage in the current environment. BellSouth agrees, and BellSouth does not use a single time consistent busy hour for this reason. Thus, BellSouth is already doing what the ALECs appear to request through this change in the measurements.

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Item 💮	Performance Measurement and Proposed Changes					
	TGP-1 Trunk Group Performance Aggregate (continued) TGP-2 Trunk Group Performance CLEC Specific (continued)					
	b. ALECs propose to delete to benchmark: "by more than .5 percent"					
	The ALECs did not provide enough factual data to support their position. According to BellSouth, BellSouth uses .5 percent as a materiality threshold because, from a practical as well as a statistical standpoint, parity does not mean that trunk blockage for ALECs and for BellSouth is exactly the same for each hour period. BellSouth uses the .5 percent materiality threshold to account for the variability that exists because ALEC trunk groups are generally smaller and subject to more significant growth, on a percentage basis, than BellSouth's trunk groups.					
	Change Management					
16.	CM-2 Change Management Notice Average Delay Days  The ALECs propose to add this measurement to SEEM.					
	Staff has seen no evidence to support inclusion of CM-2 into SEEM. No data has been reported indicating that BellSouth is failing to meet the benchmark. At this time, staff believes CM-1 is indicative of overall Change Management Notice Performance.					

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Item	Perf	ormance Measurement and Proposed Changes
17.	CM-4	Change Management Average Documentation Average Delay Days.  The ALECs propose to add this measurement to SEEM.
		Staff has seen no evidence to support inclusion of CM-4 into SEEM. No data has been reported indicating that BellSouth is failing to meet the benchmark. At this time, staff believes CM-2 is indicative of overall Change Management Documentation Performance.
18.	CM-6	Percent of Software Errors Corrected in X (10, 30, 45 Business Days)
		ALEC's propose a more significant remedy payment (\$35,000 for Tier I and \$35,000 for Tier II).
		Measurement is relatively new (implemented in August 2002). Staff's examination of commercial data results indicates that not enough data was captured to determine if remedy payments should be increased.
19.	CM-7	Percent of Change Requests Accepted or Rejected Within 10 Days
		ALECs propose a more significant remedy payment.
		Staff disagrees with the ALECs' proposal.
		Measurement is relatively new (implemented in August 2002). Staff's examination of commercial data results indicates that not enough data was captured to determine if remedy payments should be increased.
		determine if remedy payments should be increased.

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<b>Item</b>	Performance Measurement and Proposed Changes
20.	CM-9 Change Management Number of Defects in Production Releases
	ALECs propose to add this measurement to SEEM Tier 1 and Tier II.
	Measurement is new (implemented in August 2002). Not enough data captured to determine if this measurement should be added to SEEM.
21.	CM-10 Software Validation
	a. The ALECs propose that weighting the testing of preorder and order scenarios be changed to mimic actual distribution of transactions.
	Based on staff's current understanding, staff believes weighting tables should be reasonably consistent with the distribution of transactions placed by ALECs to BellSouth's pre-ordering and ordering systems. Staff notes that, according to BellSouth Flow Through Reports for October, November and December 2002, the actual distribution of resale and UNEs was reasonably close to the distribution of ALEC orders in the same period. Staff believes that BellSouth needs
	to remain flexible so it can modify the weighting tables as needed to adapt to potential changes in transaction distributions in the near future.  Placing the tables in the SQM would inappropriately limit BellSouth in that respect.

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Item	Performance Measurement and Proposed Changes
	CM-10 Software Validation (continued)
	Staff recognizes BellSouth's obligation to have order and pre-order transaction samples that are representative of all ALECs it serves, no matter their business model, including those not operating in Florida. Staff believes that not all ALECs would necessarily agree on the testing distribution.
	For example, some are facilities based, others are re-sellers. Staff encourages BellSouth and ALECs to collaborate using existing testing forums to openly discuss issues surrounding appropriate weighting of transactions. In the future, the parties could consider collaboration to include the design of testing scenarios and their weighting on a release basis to incorporate ALEC input on factors such as changes being made, current volumes, and other issues.
	b. The ALECs propose that CM-10 be conducted in the production environment rather than the CLEC Application Verification Environment (CAVE)

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Item	Performance Measurement and Proposed Changes
	CM-10 Software Validation (continued)
	Staff notes that BellSouth executes test cases for the CM-10 measure in a non-production environment, CAVE. BellSouth explains that to test those cases in production would require manual intervention to prevent the test orders from moving to provisioning personnel as valid orders that need to be filled. Another alternative would be a costly modification to current production systems to prevent test orders from reaching the Service order Completion System (SOCS). Staff agrees with BellSouth at this time that the point of testing is primarily to check functionality of new software. In the recently completed Third Party Test of BellSouth Operating and Support Systems, CAVE was examined to verify that it mirrored production systems. It was found to be effectively the same based on varying volumes and test case scenarios. BellSouth further said that it loads the same new software into CAVE that it places into production.
	Absent evidence that CAVE does not mirror production, Staff cannot concur with the ALECs that testing should necessarily be done in the production environment.
22.	CM-11 Percent of Change Requests Implemented within 60 weeks of Prioritization
	ALECs propose a more significant remedy payment (\$100,000 for Tier I and \$100,000 for Tier II).
	Measurement is relatively new (implemented in August 2002). Staff is currently recommending changes to the existing measurement. See Issue 3.

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Item	Performance Measurement and Proposed Changes
	Add New Performance Measurement
23.	Ordering Trouble Ticket Responses in 48 Hours
	ALECs propose to add this new measurement to BellSouth's SQM.
	The ALECs did not provide enough factual data to support their position. Staff believes that this measurement would not be objective. Some ordering trouble tickets can be resolved in 48 hours, others cannot. Additionally, staff agrees with BellSouth's position at this time that the ALECs' proposal would be overly burdensome. The ALECs' proposal requires BellSouth to measure the response time for essentially any question the ALECs may have, and would pose to BellSouth employees at any one of five different locations/work groups within BellSouth (LCSC, CRSG, LISC, EC Support)
24.	Percent Line Loss Notifications Returned within 24 Hours of Disconnect Order Completion and Average Delay for Line Loss Notifications.

## # Commission Changes, Not Recommended Florida BellSouth Performance Assessment Plan Six Month Review

## Item Performance Measurement and Proposed Changes

ALECs propose to add this new measurement to BellSouth's SQM.

The ALECs contend that changes in software often bring new problems for ALECs in receiving the line loss reports that they need to stop their own billing of customers lost to BST or other ALECs. It is staffs understanding that billing is not triggered by line-loss, but by change-orders. Additionally, staff agrees with BellSouth that since the customer in question is served by the ALEC, the ALEC should have contact with the customer and keep track of the status of the customer's service rather than expecting BellSouth to do so.

## BellSouth Performance Measurements and Standards ORDERING

# Measurements SAA FOC Receipt

Description

The Firm Order Confirmation (FOC) is the BellSouth response to an Access Service Request (ASR), whether an initial or supplement ASR, that provides the CLEC or IXC Carrier with the specific Due Date on which the requested circuit or circuits will be installed. BellSouth will conduct a minimum of an electronic facilities check to ensure due dates delivered in FOCs can be relied upon. The performance standard for FOCs received within the standard interval is expressed as a percentage of the total FOCs received during the reporting period. A diagnostic distribution is required along with a count of ASRs withdrawn at BellSouth's request due to a lack of BellSouth facilities or otherwise.

## Calculation Methodology

Percent Meeting Performance Standard:

[Count FOCs received where (FOC Receipt Date - ASR Received Date) < = Performance Standard] / Total FOCs received during reporting period x 100

FOC Receipt - Distribution:

(FOC Receipt Date - ASR Received Date), for each FOC received during reporting period, distributed by: 0 days, >0 - <= 1 day, >0 day - <= 2 days, >0 day - <= 5 days, > 2 days - <= 10 days, > 10 days

ASRs Withdrawn at BellSouth Request due to a lack of BellSouth Facilities or Otherwise Count of ASRs, which have not yet received a FOC, Withdrawn at BellSouth's Request, during the current reporting period, due to a lack of BellSouth facilities or otherwise

- 1. Counts are based on each instance of a FOC received from BellSouth. If one or more Supplement ASRs are issued to correct or change a request, each corresponding FOC, which is received during the reporting period, is counted and measured.
- 2. Days shown are business days, Monday to Friday, excluding National Holidays. Activity starting on a weekend, or holiday, will reflect a start date of the next business day, and activity ending on a weekend, or holiday, will be calculated with an end date of the last previous business day.
- 3. Projects are included.

#### Exclusions

- Unsolicited FOCs
- Disconnect ASRs
- Cancelled ASRs
- Record ASRs

## Levels of Disaggregation

- DS<sub>0</sub>
- DS1
- DS3 (Non Optical)
- DS3 (Optical OCn)

## BellSouth Performance Measurements and Standards

Performance Standard

Percent FOCs Received within Standard - DS0 = > 98.0% within 2 business days

- DS1 => 98.0% within 2 business days

- DS3 = > 98.0% within 5 business days

- OCn - ICB (Individual Case Basis)

FOC Receipt Distribution - Diagnostic

ASRs Withdrawn at BellSouth's Request Due to a Lack of BellSouth Facilities or Otherwise - Diagnostic

## BellSouth Performance Measurements and Standards

## **ORDERING**

## Measurement: SA-2 TOC Receipt Past Due

#### Description

The FOC Receipt Past Due measure tracks all ASR requests that have not received an FOC from BellSouth within the expected FOC receipt interval, as of the last day of the reporting period and do not have an open, or outstanding, Query/Reject. This measure gauges the magnitude of late FOCs. A distribution of these late FOCs, along with a report of those late FOCs that do have an open Query/Reject, is required for diagnostic purposes.

#### Calculation Methodology

Percent FOC Receipt Past Due - Without Open Query/Reject:

Sum of ASRs without a FOC Received, and a Query/Reject is not open, where (End of Reporting Period – ASR Received Date >Expected FOC Receipt Interval) / Total number of ASRs received during reporting period x 100

FOC Receipt Past Due - Without Open Query/Reject - Distribution:

[(End of Reporting Period - ASR Received date) - (Expected FOC Receipt Interval)] for ASRs without a FOC received and a Query/Reject is not open with the CLEC or IXC Carrier, distributed by; 0 days, >0 - <= 5 days, >5 days - <= 10 days, > 10 days - <= 20 days, > 20 days - <= 30 days, > 30 days - <= 40 days, > 40 days

Percent FOC Receipt Past Due - With Open Query/Reject:

Sum of ASRs without a FOC Received, and a Query/Reject is open, where (End of Reporting Period – ASR Sent Date > Expected FOC Receipt Interval) / Total number of ASRs received during reporting period x 100

## **Business Rules**

- 1. All counts are based on the latest ASR request sent to BellSouth. Where one or more subsequent ASRs have been sent, only the latest ASR would be recorded as Past Due if no FOC had yet been returned.
- The Expected FOC Receipt Interval, used in the calculations, will be the interval identified in the Performance Standards for the FOC Receipt measure.
- 3. Days shown are business days, Monday to Friday, excluding National Holidays. Activity starting on a weekend, or holiday, will reflect a start date of the next business day, and activity ending on a weekend, or holiday, will be calculated with an end date of the last previous business day.
- 4. Projects are included.

#### Exclusions

- Unsolicited FOCs
- Disconnect ASRs
- Cancelled ASRs
- Record ASRs

## Levels of Disaggregation

- DS0
- DSI
- DS3 (Non Optical)
- DS3 (Optical OCn)

#### Performance Standard

Percent FOC Receipt Past Due - Without Open Query/Reject FOC Receipt Past Due - Without Open Query/Reject - Distribution Percent FOC Receipt Past Due - With Open Query/Reject

- < 2.0 % FOC Receipt Past Due
- Diagnostic
- Diagnostic

## BellSouth Performance Measurements and Standards

## **ORDERING**

## Measurement: SA-3 Offered Versus Requested Due Date

Description

The Offered Versus Desired Due Date measure reflects the degree to which BellSouth is committing to install service on the CLEC or IXC Carrier Desired Due Date (CDDD), when a Due Date desired is equal to or greater than the BellSouth stated interval. A distribution of the delta, the difference between the CDDD and the Offered Date, for these FOCs is required for diagnostic purposes.

## Calculation Methodology

Percent Offered with CLEC or IXC Carrier Requested Due Date:

[Count of ASRs where (FOC Due Date = CDDD] / [Total number of ASRs where (CDDD - ASR Received Date) = >BellSouth Stated Interval] x 100

Offered versus Requested Interval Delta - Distribution:

[(Offered Due Date - CDDD) where (CDDD - ASR Received Date) => BellSouth Stated Interval] for each FOC received during the reporting period, distributed by; 0 days, >0 - <= 5 days, >5 days - <= 10 days, > 10 days - <= 20 days, > 20 days - <= 30 days, > 30 days - <= 40 days, > 40 days

#### Business Rules

- Counts are based on each instance of a FOC received from BellSouth. If one or more Supplement ASRs are
  issued to correct or change a request, each corresponding FOC, which is received during the reporting period, is
  counted and measured.
- 2. Days shown are business days, Monday to Friday, excluding National Holidays. Activity starting on a weekend, or holiday, will reflect a start date of the next business day, and activity ending on a weekend, or holiday, will be calculated with an end date of the last previous business day.
- 3. Projects are included.

#### **Exclusions**

- Unsolicited FOCs
- Disconnect ASRs
- Cancelled ASRs
- Record ASRs

## Levels of Disaggregation

- DS0
- DS1
- DS3 (Non Optical)
- DS3 (Optical OCn)

Performance Standard

Percent Offered with CDDD (where CDDD = > BellSouth Stated Interval) = 100%
Offered versus Requested Interval Delta - Distribution......- Diagnostic

BellSouth Stated Intervals: To be determined by BellSouth

## BellSouth Performance Measurements and Standards

## **PROVISIONING**

## Measurements \$A-4 On Time Performance To FOC Due Date-

Description

On Time Performance To FOC Due Date measures the percentage of circuits that are completed on the FOC Due Date, as recorded from the FOC received in response to the last ASR received. Customer Not Ready (CNR) situations are defined as Customer Not Ready (SR), No Access (SA), Customer Requests a Later Date (SL), and Customer Other (SO) which may result in an installation delay. The On Time Performance To FOC Due Date is calculated both with CNR consideration, i.e. measuring the percentage of time the service is installed on the FOC due date while counting CNR coded orders as an appointment met, and without CNR consideration.

## Calculation Methodology

Percent On Time Performance to FOC Due Date - With CNR Consideration:

[(Count of Circuits Completed on or before BellSouth Committed Due Date + Count of Circuits Completed after FOC Due Date with a verifiable CNR code) / (Count of Circuits Completed in Reporting Period)] x

Percent On Time Performance to FOC Due Date - Without CNR Consideration:

[(Count of Circuits Completed on or before BellSouth Committed Due Date) / (Count of Circuits Completed in Reporting Period)] x 100

Note: The denominator for both calculations is the total count of circuits completed during the reporting period, including all circuits, with and without a CNR code.

## **Business Rules**

- 1. Measures are based on the last ASR received and the associated FOC Due Date received from BellSouth.
- Selection is based on circuits completed by BellSouth during the reporting period. An ASR may provision more
  than one circuit and BellSouth may break the ASR into separate internal orders, however, the service order is not
  considered completed for measurement purposes until all circuits are completed.
- 3. BellSouth Completion Date is the date upon which BellSouth completes installation of the circuit, as noted on a completion notice to the CLEC or IXC Carrier.
- 4. Projects are included...
- 5. A Customer Not Ready (CNR) is defined as a verifiable situation beyond the control of BellSouth that prevents BellSouth from completing an order, including the following: CLEC or IXC Carrier is not ready; end user is not ready; connecting company, or CPE (Customer Premises Equipment) supplier, is not ready. BellSouth must ensure that established procedures are followed to notify the CLEC or IXC Carrier of a CNR situation and allow a reasonable period of time for the CLEC or IXC Carrier to correct the situation.

#### Exclusions

- Unsolicited FOCs
- Disconnect ASRs
- Cancelled ASRs
- Record ASRs

#### Levels of Disaggregation

- DS0
- DSI
- DS3 (Non Optical)
- DS3 (Optical OCn)

## BellSouth Performance Measurements and Standards

Performance Standard

Percent On Time to FOC Due Date - With CNR Consideration => 98.0 % O

Percent On Time to FOC Due Date - Without CNR Consideration - Diagnostic => 98.0 % On Time

#### BellSouth Performance Measurements and Standards

#### **PROVISIONING**

#### Measurements SA-5. Days Late

#### Description

Days Late captures the magnitude of the delay, both in average and distribution, for those circuits not completed on the FOC Due Date, and the delay was not a result of a verifiable CNR situation. A breakdown of delay days caused by a lack of BellSouth facilities is required for diagnostic purposes.

#### Calculation Methodology

#### Average Days Late:

Σ [Circuit Completion Date-BellSouth Committed Due Date (for all Circuits Completed Beyond BellSouth Committed Due Date without a CNR code)] / (Count of Circuits Completed Beyond BellSouth Committed Due Date without a CNR code)

#### Days Late Distribution:

Circuit Completion Date -BellSouth Committed Due Date (for all Circuits Completed Beyond BellSouth Committed Due Date without a CNR code) distributed by: <= 1 day, 0 - < 3 days, >1 - <=5 days, >5 - <=10 days, >10 - <=20 days, >20 - <=30 days, >30 - <=40 days, >40 days

#### Average Days Late Due to a Lack of BellSouth Facilities:

Σ [Circuit Completion Date –BellSouth Committed Due Date (for all Circuits Completed Beyond BellSouth Committed Due Date without a CNR code and due to a Lack of BellSouth Facilities] / (Count of Circuits Completed Beyond BellSouth Committed Due Date without a CNR code and due to a Lack of BellSouth Facilities)

#### Business Rules

- Measures are based on the latest valid ASR received and the associated FOC Due Date received from the BellSouth.
- Selection is based on circuits completed by BellSouth during the reporting period. An ASR may provision more than one circuit and BellSouth may break the ASR into separate internal orders, however, the service order is not considered completed for measurement purposes until all circuits are completed.
- 3. Days shown are business days, Monday to Friday, excluding National Holidays. Activity starting on a weekend, or holiday, will reflect a start date of the next business day, and activity ending on a weekend, or holiday, will be calculated with an end date of the last previous business day.
- 4. Projects are included.
- 5. A Customer Not Ready (CNR) is defined as a verifiable situation beyond the control of BellSouth that prevents BellSouth from completing an order, including the following: CLEC or IXC Carrier is not ready; end user is not ready; connecting company, or CPE (Customer Premises Equipment) supplier, is not ready. BellSouth must ensure that established procedures are followed to notify the CLEC or IXC Carrier of a CNR situation and allow a reasonable period of time for the CLEC or IXC Carrier to correct the situation

#### Exclusions

- Unsolicited FOCs
- Disconnect ASRs
- Cancelled ASRs
- Record ASRs

#### Levels of Disaggregation

- DS0
- DS1
- DS3 (Non Optical)
- DS3 (Optical OCn)

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### BellSouth Performance Measurements and Standards

Performance Standard Average Days Late < 3.0 Days
- Diagnostic Days Late Distribution Average Days Late Due to a Lack of BellSouth Facilities - Diagnostic

# BellSouth Performance Measurements and Standards PROVISIONING

Measurement: SA-6 - Average Intervals - Requested/Offered/Installations

#### Description

This measure captures three important aspects of the provisioning process and displays them in relation to each other. The Average CLEC or IXC Carrier Requested Interval, the Average BellSouth Offered Interval, and the Average Installation Interval, provide a comprehensive view of provisioning, with the ultimate goal of having these three intervals equivalent.

#### Calculation Methodology

Average CLEC or IXC Carrier Requested Interval:

Sum (CDDD - ASR Received Date) / Total Circuits Completed during reporting period

Average BellSouth Offered Interval:

Sum (FOC Due Date - ASR Received Date) / Total Circuits Completed during reporting period

Average Installation Interval:

Sum (BellSouth Completion Date - ASR Received Date) / Total Circuits Completed during reporting period

#### **Business Rules**

- 1. Measures are based on the last ASR received and the associated FOC Due Date received from BellSouth.
- Selection is based on circuits completed by BellSouth during the reporting period. An ASR may provision more than one circuit and BellSouth may break the ASR into separate internal orders, however, the ASR is not considered completed for measurement purposes until all circuits are completed.
- 3. Days shown are business days, Monday to Friday, excluding National Holidays. Activity starting on a weekend, or holiday, will reflect a start date of the next business day, and activity ending on a weekend, or holiday, will be calculated with an end date of the last previous business day.
- 4. Projects are included.
- 5. The Average Installation Interval includes all completions.

#### Exclusions

- Unsolicited FOCs
- Disconnect ASRs
- Cancelled ASRs
- Record ASRs

#### Levels of Disaggregation

- DS0
- DS1
- DS3 (Non Optical)
- DS3 (Optical OCn)

#### Performance Standard

Average Requested Interval - Diagnostic - Diagnostic - Diagnostic - Diagnostic

#### BellSouth Performance Measurements and Standards

#### **PROVISIONING**

Measurement: SA-7 Past Due Circuits

#### Description

The Past Due Circuits measure provides a snapshot view of circuits not completed as of the end of the reporting period. The count is taken from those circuits that have received a FOC Due Date but the date has passed. Results are separated into those held for BellSouth reasons and those held for CLEC or IXC Carrier reasons (CNRs), with a breakdown, for diagnostic purposes, of Past Due Circuits due to a lack of BellSouth facilities. A diagnostic measure, Percent Cancellations After FOC Due Date, is included to show a percent of all cancellations processed during the reporting period where the cancellation took place after the FOC Due Date had passed

#### Calculation Methodology

#### Percent Past Due Circuits:

[(Count of all circuits not completed at the end of the reporting period > 5 days beyond the FOC Due Date, grouped separately for Total BellSouth Reasons, Lack of BellSouth Facility Reasons, and Total CLEC/Carrier Reasons) / (Total uncompleted circuits past FOC Due Date, for all missed reasons, at the end of the reporting period)] x 100

#### Past Due Circuits Distribution:

Count of all circuits past the FOC Due Date that have not been reported as completed (Calculated as last day of reporting period - FOC Due Date) Distributed by: <= 1 day, >1 - <= 5 days, 0 days - <= 5 days, >5 - <= 10 days, >10 - <= 20 days, >20 - <= 30 days, >30 - <= 40 days, >40 days

#### Percent Cancellations After FOC Due Date:

[Count (All circuits cancelled during reporting period, that were Past Due at the end of the previous reporting period, where (Date Cancelled > FOC Due Date) / (Total circuits Past Due at the end of the previous reporting period)] x 100

#### Business Rules

- 1. Calculation of Past Due Circuits is based on the most recent ASR and associated FOC Due Date.
- An ASR may provision more than one circuit and BellSouth may break the ASR into separate internal orders, however, the service order is not considered completed for measurement purposes until all segments are completed.
- Days shown are business days, Monday to Friday, excluding National Holidays. Activity starting on a weekend, or holiday, will reflect a start date of the next business day, and activity ending on a weekend, or holiday, will be calculated with an end date of the last previous business day.
- 4. Projects are included.
- 5. A Customer Not Ready (CNR) is defined as a verifiable situation beyond the control of BellSouth that prevents BellSouth from completing an order, including the following: CLEC or IXC Carrier is not ready; end user is not ready; connecting company, or CPE (Customer Premises Equipment) supplier, is not ready. BellSouth must ensure that established procedures are followed to notify the CLEC or IXC Carrier of a CNR situation and allow a reasonable period of time for the CLEC or IXC Carrier to correct the situation

#### **Exclusions**

- Unsolicited FOCs
- Disconnect ASRs
- Record ASRs

#### Levels of Disaggregation

DSO / DS1 / DS3 (Non Optical) / DS3 (Optical OCn)

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#### Performance Standard

Percent Past Due Circuits - Total BellSouth Reasons

Percent Past Due Circuits - Due to Lack of BellSouth Facilities

Percent Past Due Circuits - Total CLEC Reasons

Past Due Circuits Distribution

Percent Cancellation After FOC Due Date

< 3.0 % > 5 days beyond FOC Due Date

- Diagnostic

- Diagnostic

- Diagnostic

- Diagnostic

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## BellSouth Performance Measurements and Standards

### **PROVISIONING**

# Measurement: SA-8 New Installation Trouble Report Rate

Description

New Installation Trouble Report Rate measures the quality of the installation work by capturing the rate of trouble reports on new circuits within 30 calendar days of the installation.

#### Calculation Methodology

Trouble Report Rate Within 30 Calendar Days of Installation:

[Count (trouble reports within 30 Calendar Days of Installation) / (Total Number of Circuits Installed in the Report Period)] x 100

**Business Rules** 

- BellSouth Completion Date is the date upon which BellSouth completes installation of the circuit, as noted on a completion advice to the CLEC or IXC Carrier.
- 2. The calculation for the following 30 calendar days is based on the creation date of the trouble ticket.

#### Exclusions

- Trouble tickets that are canceled at the CLEC's or IXC Carrier's request
- CLEC, IXC Carrier, CPE (Customer Premises Equipment), or other customer caused troubles
- BellSouth trouble reports associated with administrative service
- Tickets used to track referrals of misdirected calls
- CLEC or IXC Carrier requests for informational tickets

#### Levels of Disaggregation

- DS0
- DS1
- DS3 (Non Optical)
- DS3 (Optical OCn)
- Below DS3 (DS0 + DS1)
- DS3 and Above (DS3 + OCn)

Performance Standard

New Installation Trouble Report Rate <= 1.0 trouble reports per 100 circuits installed

# BellSouth Performance Measurements and Standards MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

### Measurement: SA-9 Failure Rate

#### Description

Failure Rate measures the overall quality of the circuits being provided by the BellSouth and is calculated by dividing the number of troubles resolved during the reporting period by the total number of "in service" circuits, at the end of the reporting period, and is then annualized.

#### Calculation Methodology

Failure Rate - Annualized:

Failure Rate = (a/b)\*100

- B = Count of trouble reports resolved during a report period
- b = Number of circuits in service at the end of the report period

Failure Rate Annualized = (c/d)\*100

- c = Average count of trouble reports closed per month during the past 12 months
- d = Average number of circuits in service per month for the past 12 months

#### **Business Rules**

- 1. A trouble report/ticket is any record (whether paper or electronic) used by BellSouth for the purposes of tracking related action and disposition of a service repair or maintenance situation.
- A trouble is resolved when BellSouth issues notice to the CLEC or IXC Carrier that the circuit has been restored to operating parameters.
- 3. Where more than one trouble is resolved on a specific circuit during the reporting period, each trouble is counted in the Trouble Report Rate.

#### **Exclusions:**

- Trouble tickets that are canceled at the CLEC's or IXC Carrier's request
- CLEC, IXC Carrier, CPE (Customer Premises Equipment), or other customer caused troubles
- BellSouth trouble reports associated with administrative service
- CLEC or IXC Carrier requests for informational tickets
- Tickets used to track referrals of misdirected calls

#### Levels of Disaggregation

- Below DS3 (DS0 + DS1)
- DS3 and Above (DS3 + OCn)
- DS0
- DS1
- DS3 (Non Optical)
- DS3 (Optical Ocn)

#### Performance Standard

Failure Rate Annualized

- Below DS3 <= 10.0%
- DS3 and Above <= 10.0%

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## BellSouth Performance Measurements and Standards

### MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

Measurement: SA-10 Mean Time to Restore

The Mean Time To Restore interval measures the promptness in restoring circuits to operating levels when a problem or trouble is received by BellSouth. Calculation is the elapsed time from the CLEC or IXC Carrier submission of a trouble report to BellSouth to the time BellSouth closes the trouble, less any Customer Hold Time or Delayed Maintenance Time due to valid customer, CLEC, or IXC Carrier caused delays. A breakdown of the percent of troubles outstanding greater than 24 hours, and the Mean Time to Restore of those troubles recorded as NTF / Test OK, is required for diagnostic purposes.

#### Calculation Methodology

Mean Time To Restore:

Σ [(Date and Time of Trouble Ticket Resolution Closed to the CLEC or IXC Carrier - Date and Time of Trouble Ticket Received by BellSouth) - (Customer Hold Times)] / (Count of Trouble Tickets Resolved in Reporting Period)]

% Out of Service Greater than 24 hrs:

[Count of Troubles where (Date and Time of Trouble Ticket Resolution Closed to the CLEC or IXC Carrier - Date and Time of Trouble Ticket Received by BellSouth) - (Customer Hold Times) is > 24 hrs / (Count of Trouble Tickets Resolved in Reporting Period)] x 100

Mean Time To Restore -NTF / Test OK:

Σ [(Date and Time of Trouble Ticket Resolution Closed to the CLEC or IXC Carrier as NTF /Test OK -Date and Time of Trouble Ticket Referred to BellSouth) - (Customer Hold Times)] / (Count of Trouble Tickets Resolved in Reporting Period as NTF /Test OK)]

#### Business Rules

A trouble report or trouble ticket is any record (whether paper or electronic) used by BellSouth for the purposes of tracking related action and disposition of a service repair or maintenance situation.

Elapsed time is measured on a 24-hour, seven-day per-week basis, without consideration of weekends or holidays.

Multiple reports in a given period are included, unless the multiple reports for the same customer is categorized as "subsequent" (an additional report on an already open ticket).

"Restore" means to return to the expected operating parameters for the service regardless of whether or not the service, at the time of trouble ticket creation, was operating in a degraded mode or was completely unusable. A trouble is "resolved" when BellSouth issues notice to the CLEC or IXC Carrier that the customer's service is restored to operating parameters.

Customer Hold Time or Delayed Maintenance Time resulting from verifiable situations of no access to the end user's premises, or other CLEC or IXC Carrier caused delays, such as holding the ticket open for monitoring, is deducted from the total resolution interval.

#### **Exclusions:**

- Trouble tickets that are canceled at the CLEC's or IXC Carrier's request
- CLEC, IXC Carrier, CPE (Customer Premises Equipment), or other customer caused troubles
- BellSouth trouble reports associated with administrative service
- CLEC or IXC Carrier requests for informational tickets
- Trouble tickets created for tracking and/or monitoring circuits
- Tickets used to track referrals of misdirected calls

#### Levels of Disaggregation

- Below DS3 (DS0 + DS1)
- DS3 and Above (DS3 + OCn)
- DS<sub>0</sub>
- DS1

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## **BellSouth Performance Measurements and Standards**

Performance Standard

Mean Time to Restore

- Below DS3

< = 2.0 Hours

- DS3 and Above

<= 1.0 Hour

% Out of Service > 24 Hrs

- Diagnostic

Mean Time to Restore -NTF/ Test OK

- Diagnostic

#### BellSouth Performance Measurements and Standards

#### MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

Measurement: SA-11 Repeat Trouble Report Rate

#### Description

The Repeat Trouble Report Rate measures the percent of maintenance troubles resolved during the current reporting period that had at least one prior trouble ticket any time in the preceding 30 calendar days from the creation date of the current trouble report.

#### Calculation Methodology

Repeat Trouble Report Rate:

[(Count of Current Trouble Reports with a previous trouble, reported on the same circuit, in the preceding -30 calendar days)] / (Number of Reports in the Report Period) x 100

#### **Business Rules**

- A trouble report or trouble ticket is any record (whether paper or electronic) used by BellSouth for the purposes
  of tracking related action and disposition of a service repair or maintenance situation.
- 2. A trouble is resolved when BellSouth issues notice to the CLEC or IXC Carrier that the circuit has been restored to operating parameters.
- If a trouble ticket was closed out previously with the disposition code classifying it as NTF/TOK, then the second trouble must be counted as a repeat trouble report if it is resolved to BellSouth reasons.
- The trouble resolution need not be identical between the repeated reports for the incident to be counted as a repeated trouble.

#### Exclusions:

- Trouble tickets that are canceled at the CLEC's or IXC Carrier's request
- CLEC, IXC Carrier, CPE (Customer Premises Equipment), or other customer caused troubles
- BellSouth trouble reports associated with administrative service
- Subsequent trouble reports defined as those cases where a customer called to check on the status of an existing
  open trouble ticket

#### Levels of Disaggregation

- Below DS3 (DS0 + DS1)
- DS3 and Above (DS3 + OCn)
- DS0
- DSI
- DS3 (Non Optical)
- DS3 (Optical OCn)

#### Performance Standards

Repeat Trouble Report Rate

- Below DS3 . <= 6.0%

- DS3 and Above <= 3.0%

# BellSouth Performance Measurements and Standards

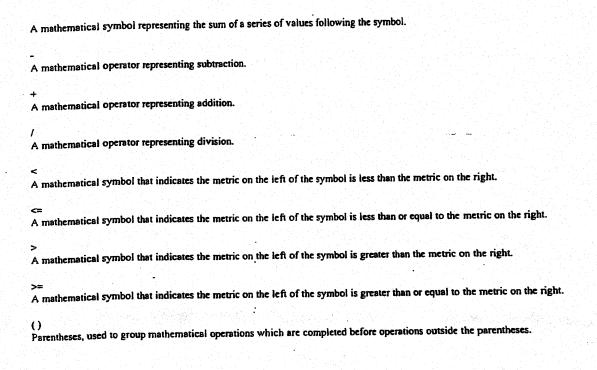
## **GLOSSARY**

[9][]	Dafinition)
Access Service Request (ASR)	A request to BellSouth to order new service, or request a change to existing service, which provides access to the local exchange company's network, under terms specificed in the local exchange company's special or switched access tariffs.
Business Days	Monday through Friday excluding holidays
CDDD	Customer Desired Due Date
Customer Not Ready (CNR)	A verifiable situation beyond the normal control of BellSouth that prevents BellSouth from completing an order, including the following: CLEC or IXC Carrier is not ready; end user is not ready; connecting company, or CPE (Customer Premises Equipment) supplier, is not ready.
(\$A)	No access to subscriber premises
(SR)	Customer Not Ready
(SL)	Customer Requests Later Date
(SO)	Customer Other
Facility Check	A pre-provisioning check performed by BellSouth, in response to an access service request, to determine the availability of facilities and assign the installation date.
Firm Order Confirmation (FOC)	The notice returned from BellSouth, in response to an Access Service Request from a CLEC or IXC Carrier that confirms receipt of the request, that a facility has been made, and that a service request has been created with an assigned due date.
NTF	No Trouble Found
Unsolicited FOC	An Unsolicited FOC is a supplemental FOC issued by BellSouth to change the due date or for other reasons, although no change to the ASR was requested by the CLEC or IXC Carrier.
Project	Service requests that exceed the line size and/or level of complexity that would allow the use of standard ordering and provisioning processes.
Query/Reject	BellSouth response to an ASR requesting clarification or correction to one or more fields on the ASR before an FOC can be issued.
Repeat Trouble	Trouble that reoccurs on the same telephone number/circuit ID within 30 calendar days
Supplement ASR	A revised ASR that is sent to change due dates or alter the original ASR request. A "Version" indicator related to the original ASR number tracks each Supplement ASR.
ток	Test OK

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## BellSouth Performance Measurements and Standards

# Symbols Used In Calculations



#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Investigation into the establishment of operations support systems permanent performance measures for incumbent local exchange telecommunications companies. (BELLSOUTH TRACK)

DOCKET NO. 000121A-TP
ORDER NO. PSC-02-1736-PAA-TP
ISSUED: December 10, 2002

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

LILA A. JABER, Chairman J. TERRY DEASON BRAULIO L. BAEZ MICHAEL A. PALECKI RUDOLPH "RUDY" BRADLEY

# NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION ORDER IMPLEMENTING PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT PLAN

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

NOTICE is hereby given by the Florida Public Service Commission that the action discussed herein is preliminary in nature and will become final unless a person whose interests are substantially affected files a petition for a formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

#### I. Case Background

We opened Docket No. 000121-TP to develop permanent performance metrics for the ongoing evaluation of operations support systems (OSS) provided by incumbent local exchange carriers (ILECs) for use by alternative local exchange carriers' (ALECs). A monitoring and enforcement program to ensure that ALECs receive nondiscriminatory access to the ILEC's OSS is associated with the performance metrics. Performance monitoring is necessary to ensure

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that ILECs are meeting their obligation to provide unbundled access, interconnection and resale to ALECs in a nondiscriminatory manner. Additionally, it establishes a standard against which ALECs and this Commission can measure performance over time to detect and correct any degradation of service provided to ALECs.

Docket No. 000121-TP consists of three phases. Phase I began with workshops conducted with members of the ALEC and ILEC communities. These workshops were held on March 30, 2000, August 8, 2000, and December 13, 2000. The purpose of Phase I was to determine and resolve any policy and legal issues in this matter. Phase II involved establishing permanent metrics for BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth), including a specific monitoring and enforcement program. With the completion of Phase II, we are beginning Phase III of this docket, which entails the establishment of performance metrics and a performance monitoring and evaluation program for the other Florida ILECs.

By Order No. PSC-01-1819-FOF-TP (Final Order), issued September 10, 2001, we established permanent performance measures and benchmarks as well as a voluntary self-executing enforcement mechanism (Performance Assessment Plan) for BellSouth. By Order No. PSC-02-0187-FOF-TP, issued February 12, 2002, as amended by Order No. PSC-01-0187A-FOF-TP, issued March 13, 2002, BellSouth's Performance Assessment Plan was approved.

By Order No. PSC-02-0503-PCO-TP, issued April 11, 2002, Docket No. 000121-TP was divided into three subdockets: (1) 000121A-TP, in which filings directed toward the BellSouth track would be placed; (2) 000121B-TP, in which filings directed toward the Sprint track would be placed; and (3) 000121C-TP, in which filings directed toward the Verizon track would be placed.

By Order No. PSC-02-0989-PAA-TP, issued July 22, 2002, BellSouth was required to file a specific action plan designed to improve flow-through and adjust the Self Effectuating Enforcement Mechanism (SEEM) for the flow-through metric by July 30, 2002, for the August 2002 results. Additionally, BellSouth was ordered to establish defect correction metrics to be effective August 1, 2002, as part of the Service Quality Measures in Docket 000121A-TP.

By Order No. PSC-02-1094-PAA-TP, issued August 9, 2002, BellSouth was required to implement three new Service Quality Measures to address concerns over the timely and effective implementation of ALEC-initiated change requests for new features. Additionally, BellSouth was ordered to change the required due date for Tier 1 and Tier 2 SEEM payments.

This Order addresses proposed changes to BellSouth's Performance Assessment Plan in conjunction with our six-month review process set forth in Order No. PSC-02-0187-FOF-TP in Docket 000121A-TP. The six-month review process consisted of a collaborative work group, which included BellSouth, interested ALECs, and the Commission. The group reviewed the Performance Assessment Plan for additions, deletions and other modifications.

We are vested with jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Sections 364.01(3) and (4)(g), Florida Statutes. Pursuant to Section 364.01 (3), Florida Statutes, the Florida legislature has found that regulatory oversight is necessary for the development of fair and effective competition in the telecommunications industry. To that end, Section 364.01 (4) (g), Florida Statutes, provides, in part, that we shall exercise our exclusive jurisdiction in order to ensure that all providers of telecommunications service are treated fairly by preventing anticompetitive behavior. Furthermore, it is noted that the FCC has encouraged the states to implement performance metrics and oversight for purposes of evaluating the status of competition under the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

#### II. Analysis

The Service Quality Measurement Plan describes in detail the measurements produced by BellSouth in order to evaluate the quality of service delivered to both wholesale and retail BellSouth customers. The major measurement categories are: preordering, ordering, provisioning, maintenance and repair, and billing. In addition, the following categories are also included: operator services and directory assistance, database information, E911, trunk group performance, collocation, and change management.

BellSouth's SEEM Plan, as approved in Order No. PSC-01-1819-FOF-TP, describes in detail the means by which enforcement will be determined. This includes the appropriate level of performance

measurement disaggregation for compliance reporting and the statistical methodology to be used to compare retail to wholesale performance for determination of penalties and payments.

As part of Order No. PSC-01-1819-FOF-TP, the parties stipulated that, within the first two years of implementation, BellSouth will participate in six-month review cycles to discuss any proposed changes to the Performance Assessment Plan. On September 25-26, 2002 and October 17-18, 2002, the first six-month review workshops were held to gauge the effectiveness of BellSouth's permanent performance measures and to determine whether the current remedy structure is effective in driving BellSouth's performance toward the required standards. The proposed changes to the remedy structure of the SEEM plan will be addressed at a future time.

In response to the parties' workshop comments concerning the proposed changes to the permanent performance measures, two separate tables were developed: 1) One that lists proposed changes to the performance measures that were agreed upon by the parties, and 2) One that lists proposed changes to the performance measures that were not agreed upon by the parties. The parties were requested to file respective comments in regards to both tables.

This order addresses the proposed changes to BellSouth's Performance Assessment Plan on which the participating parties agreed. The parties' comments on the proposed changes to the performance measures that were <u>not</u> agreed upon are due on December 12, 2002, and will be addressed at a later date.

Attachment 1, incorporated herein by reference, is a table listing the proposed changes to the performance measures that were agreed upon by the parties. The table is divided into four columns which identify:

- The party proposing the change,
- The performance measurement being changed,
- The proposed change to the performance measurement, and
- The parties' confirmation of the proposed change.

Measures 92 through 112 and 135 through 156 in Attachment 1 represent proposed changes that the parties agreed to be deleted from this six-month review cycle.

As a part of the Operation Support System test, BearingPoint Consulting (formerly KPMG Consulting) was required to conduct an independent assessment of the adequacy of BellSouth's permanent performance measures. This assessment, known as the Adequacy Study, filed in Docket 000121A-TP in September 2002, details documentation ambiguities (red-line changes) in the performance measures as well as recommended changes to the structure of the Service Quality Measures. As part of this docket, the parties were requested to file comments on the Adequacy Study. Attachment 2, incorporated herein by reference, reflects documentation or red-line changes to the performance measures noted in the Adequacy Study that were agreed upon by the parties.

#### ALEC Comments

In the ALEC Coalition's comments concerning the proposed table of agreed upon issues, the ALEC Coalition acknowledged that the table accurately states the issues upon which the parties agreed. However, in its comments, the ALEC Coalition clarified that for item numbers 55 through 66 listed in Attachment 1, their agreement to the addition of the word "customer" in the proposed changes would not result in the exclusion of "no trouble found" or "found OK/test OK" situations.

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#### BellSouth Comments

In BellSouth's comments concerning the proposed table of agreed issues, BellSouth concurred with the assessment of all the issues proposed in the table with the exception of a proposed change that was inadvertently listed as in agreement by the parties. The change was a modification to an exclusion to the Firm Order Confirmation Timeliness Measure (0-9). The proposed change has been removed from Attachment 1 and will be addressed with other proposed changes to the performance measures that were not agreed upon in a future recommendation.

After consideration of the proposed changes, we order that BellSouth shall implement the revisions to the Performance Assessment Plan contained in Attachments 1 and 2 of this Order and

agreed to by the parties in the six-month review process, with the ALEC clarification that for item numbers 55 through 66, ALEC agreement to the addition of the word "customer" in the proposed changes will not result in the exclusion of "no trouble found" or "found OK/test OK" situations.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. shall implement the revisions to the Performance Assessment Plan set forth in Attachments 1 and 2 to this Order, which are attached and incorporated, with the herein clarification that for item numbers 55 through 66, the ALECs' agreement to the addition of the word "customer" in the proposed changes will not result in the exclusion of "no trouble found" or "found OK/test OK" situations. It is further

ORDERED that the provisions of this Order, issued as proposed agency action, shall become final and effective upon the issuance of a Consummating Order unless an appropriate petition, in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code, is received by the Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on the date set forth in the "Notice of Further Proceedings" attached hereto. It is further

ORDERED that in the event a protest is filed, the resolution of the protest shall be addressed during the six-month review process. It is further

ORDERED that in the event this Order becomes final, this docket shall remain open.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 10th day of December, 2002.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director

Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services

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## NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing that is available under Section 120.57, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

The action proposed herein is preliminary in nature. Any person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this order may file a petition for a formal proceeding, in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of

the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on <u>December 31, 2002</u>.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final and effective upon the issuance of a Consummating Order.

Any objection or protest filed in this/these docket(s) before the issuance date of this order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

# TABLE OF AGREED ISSUES Florida BellSouth Performance Assessment PlanSix Month Review

Original No.	Proposer	Reference	Metric	Proposal	Parties Agree
1	BST	Pg 3, 8/30 Filing	OSS-1	ADD: Exclusion - Scheduled OSS Maintenance	Yes
2	BST	Pg 3, 8/30 Filing	OSS-1	ADD: Exclusion - Retail Usage of LENS	Yes
3	BST	Pg 5, 8/30 Filing	OSS-2	ADD: <u>Exclusion</u> - Add language addressing trouble caused by outside BST control	Yes
4	BST	Pg 5, 8/30 Filing	OSS-2	ADD: <u>Exclusion</u> - Degraded service outage and scheduled maintenance	Yes
5	BST	Pg 5, 8/30 Filing	OSS-2	ADD: <u>Business Rule</u> - Add the words "loss of functionality" to the measure.	Yes
6	BST	Pg 5, 8/30 Filing	OSS-2	ADD: <u>Disaggregation</u> - Add "per OSS interface" to the Regional level of Disaggregation.	Yes
7	BST	Pg 5, 8/30 Filing	0-1	ADD: Exclusion - Scheduled OSS Maintenance	Yes
8	BST	Pg 6, 8/30 Filing	0-1	ADD: <u>Calculation</u> - Add the words "for returned acknowledgements" to the sum of all response interval in numerator.	Yes
9	BST	Pg 6, 8/30 Filing	O-1	<u>Calculation</u> - Change denominator to include acknowledgement notices returned in reporting period.	Yes
10	BST	Pg 6, 8/30 Filing	O-2	MODIFY: Benchmark - From 100% to 99.5% for TAG	Yes
11	BST	Pg 6, 8/30 Filing	O-3	ADD: Exclusion - Scheduled OSS Maintenance	Yes

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12	BST	Pg 7, 8/30 Filing	LSR Flow- Through Matrix	DELETE: Remove LSR Flow-Through Matrix from the SQM Agreement reached at workshop not to delete, but to include an "as of date"	Yes
13	BST	Pg 7, 8/30 Filing	LSR Flow- Through Matrix	ADD: SQM directions for locating the latest version of the Flow-Through Matrix on PMAP	Yes
14	BST	Pg 9, 8/30 Filing	P-2	SPLIT MEASUREMENT:  P-2A - Jeopardy Notice Interval  P-2B - % of Orders Given Jeopardy  Notices	Yes
15	BST	Pg 9, 8/30 Filing	P-2	ADD: <u>Exclusion to P-2A</u> - Orders issued with a due date of 48 hours of less.	Yes
16	BST	Pg 12, 8/30 Filing	P-12	DELETE: Eliminate measurement P-12 (LNP-Avg Disconnect Timeliness Intvl & Disconnect Timeliness Intvl Dist)	Yes
17	BST	Pg 12, 8/30 Filing	P-13B P-13C	ADD: P-13B (LNP-Avg Time Out of Svce for LNP Conversions) and P-13C (LNP-% of Time BST Applies the 10-digit Trigger Prior to the LNP Order Due Date) Agreement reached at workshop if P-13D is added. BST filed P-13D in errata.	Yes
18	BST	Pg 15, 8/30 Filing	B-4, B-5, B-6	MODIFY BENCHMARK: BST proposes benchmarks be adopted for these three billing measures, rather than retail analogs	Yes
19	BST	Pg 15, 8/30 Filing	TGP-1, TGP-2	ADD: <u>Exclusion</u> - 1)trunk groups blocked due to ALEC network/equipment failure	Yes
20		Pg 15, 8/30 Filing	TGP-1, TGP-2	ADD: Exclusion - 4)final groups actually overflowing, not blocked	Yes

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21	BST	Pg 15, 8/30 Filing	TGP-1, TGP-2	MODIFY BUSINESS RULES: Categories 1, 10 & 16 are all "BST affecting" and should be added to the "BST affecting categories"	Yes
22	BST	Pg 17, 8/30 Filing	C-2	MODIFY BUSINESS RULE: Define the end time as the time when BST notifies the ALEC, not when the ALEC accepts the arrangement.	Yes
23	BST	SEEM Admin. Plan Sec. 2.2	N/A	ADD LANGUAGE UNDERLINED: BellSouth will make performance reports available to each ALEC on a monthly basis. The reports will contain information collected in each performance category and will be available to each ALEC via the Performance Measurements Reports website.	Yes
24	BST	SEEM Admin. Plan Sec. 2.3	N/A	ADD LANGUAGE UNDERLINED: Final validated SQM reports will be posted no later than the last day of the month following the data month in which the activity is incurred, or the first business day thereafter.	Yes
25	BST	SEEM Admin Plan Sec. 2.5	N/A	ADD LANGUAGE UNDERLINED: Such penalty shall be made to the Commission for deposit into the state General Revenue Fund within fifteen (15) calendar days of the end of the reporting month in which the late publication of the report occurs.	Yes
26	BST	SEEM Admin Plan	N/A	INSERT NEW SECTION 2.7 TO STATE: Tier II SEEMS payments and Administrative fines and penalties for late, incomplete, and reposted reports will be sent via Federal Express to the Commission. Checks and the accompanying transmittal letter will be postmarked on or before the 15th of the month.	Yes

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27	BST	SEEM Admin Plan	N/A	INSERT NEW SECTION 2.9 TO STATE: BellSouth will provide documentation of late and incomplete occurences during the reporting month that the data is posted to the website. These notations may be viewed on the Performance Measurements website from the PMAP home page on the Current Month Site Updates link	Yes
				SQM Changes-Exhibit 3	
28	BST	Exhibit 3	Intro- duction	In the 4 <sup>th</sup> paragraph of the Introduction section of the SQMP, change "This document is intended for use by someone with knowledge of the telecommunication industry,"	Yes
29	BST	Exhibit 3	Intro- duction	In the 5 <sup>th</sup> paragraph of the Introduction section of the SQMP, change: "Once it is approved, the most current copy of this document can be found on the web at URL: https://pmap.bellsouth.com in the Help Documentation Downloads folder.	Yes
30 ************************************	BST	Exhibit 3	OSS-1	In the Business Rules, change the phrase: "when the appropriate response is returned to the client application" to "when the appropriate response is received by the client application."	Yes
31	BST	Exhibit 3	OSS-1	In the Business Rules, add the following sentence:  BST will not schedule maintenance during the hours from 8:00 am until 9:00 pm, Monday through Friday.	Yes
32	BST	Exhibit 3	OSS-1	In the Calculation, add the following formula:  % within interval=(e/f) X 100 e=Sum of Response Time for Interval f=# of Legacy Requests During the Reporting Period for System "for which a response was provided"	Yes
33	BST	Exhibit 3	OSS-1	Delete the OASISCAR, OASISLPC, and OASISMTN from the Legacy System Access Times table.	Yes

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34	BST	Exhibit 3	OSS-2	Change the title and calculation of this measure from "Interface Availability" to "OSS Availability"	Yes
35	BST	Exhibit 3	OSS-3	Change the title and calculation of this measure from "Interface Availability" to "OSS Availability"	Yes
36	BST	Exhibit 3	OSS-3	Calculation change: OSS Availability (a/b) x 100 a=Functional Availability of front end systems b= Scheduled Availability of front end systems Agreement reached at workshop to delete reference to "front end systems"	Yes
37	BST	Exhibit 3	OSS-3	Change the SQM disagg and the SEEM disagg from "Regional Level" to "Regional Level, per OSS interface"."	Yes
38	BST	Exhibit 3	OSS-3	Move the OSS Interface Availability and the SEEM OSS Interface Availability to Appendix C and change the OSS Interface "LNP" to "LNP Gateway".	Yes
39	BST	Exhibit 3	OSS-4	Change the SQM disagg and the SEEM disagg from "Regional Level" to "Regional Level, Per OSS Interface."	Yes
40	BST	Exhibit 3	PO-2	Business Rules-Delete references to "RoboTAG".	Yes
41	BST	Exhibit 3	PO-2	Changes to Data Retained: Relation to CLEC Experience Report Month Legacy Contract Response Interval Regional Scope Total Number of Inquiries SI Interval State and Region	Yes
42	BST	Exhibit 3	O-9	Definition change: Interval for Return of a FOC Interval is the average response time from receipt of a valid LSR or ASR to distribution of a FOC. The interval will include an electronic facilities check.	Yes

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50	BST	Exhibit 3	P-4A	Change to Report Structure:  Residence & Business reported in day intervals = 0,1,2,3,4,5,5+  UNE and Design reported in day intervals = 0-5,5-10,10-15,15-20,20-25,25-30,>=30 0-25,>5-<=10,>10-<=15,>15-<=20,>20-25,>25-430,>30 SDN Orders included in Non-Design Geographic Scope State	Yes
51	BST	Exhibit 3	P-4A	Change to SQM Disagg-Analog/Benchmark section: The Retail Analog to UNE Digital Loop>=DS1 incorrectly shows the analog as Retail Digital Loop <=DS1 and needs to be corrected to >=DS1.	Yes
<b>52</b>	BST	Exhibit 3	P-5	Business Rule Change: For non mechanized orders the end time will be date and timestamp of order update from the FAX record via LON or C SOTS system. For the retail analog, the start time is when the technician completes the order and the end time is when the order status is changed to complete in SOCS.  Agreement reached at workshop to delete strikeout of first sentence and include the language.	Yes
53	BST	Exhibit 3	P-5	Report Structure Change: Reporting intervals in Hours; 0, 1-<=2,>2-=4,>4- <=8,>8-<=12,>12-<=24,>24 plus Overall Average Hour Interval 1-2,2-4,4-8,8-12,12-24 plus Overall Average Hour Interval (The categories are inclusive of these time intervals; 0-1-0-0.99;1-2-1-1.99; 2- 4+2-3.99, etc.)	Yes
54	BST	Exhibit 3	P-5	Change to SQM Disagg-Analog/Benchmark section: The Retail Analog to UNE Digital Loop>=DS1 incorrectly shows the analog as Retail Digital Loop <=DS1 and needs to be corrected to >=DS1.	Yes

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43	BST	Exhibit 3	P-1	Changes to Exclusions: Orders with apptint code of "A" for Rural orders. Orders with an Apptint Code of "A", i.e. orders for locations requiring special construction including locations where no address exists and a technician must make a field visit to determine how to get facilities to the location.	Yes
44	BST	Exhibit 3	P-3	Change to Exclusions: Order Activities of BST or the CLEC associated with internal or administrative use of local services (Record Orders, Listing Orders, Test Orders, etc.) Order types may be coded C. N, R, or T.	Yes
45	BST	Exhibit 3	P-3	Change to Report Structure: Dispatch/Non-Dispatch (except Trunks)	Yes
46	BST	Exhibit 3	P-3A	Change to Report Structure: Dispatch/Non-Dispatch (except Trunks)	Yes
47	BST	Exhibit 3	P-4	Change to Report Structure:  Residence & Business reported in day intervals— 0,1,2,3,4,5,5+ ISDN Orders included in Non-Design	Yes
48	BST	Exhibit 3	P-4	Change to SQM Disagg-Analog/Benchmark section: The Retail Analog to UNE Digital Loop>=DS1 incorrectly shows the analog as Retail Digital Loop <=DS1 and needs to be corrected to >=DS1.	Yes
49	BST	Exhibit 3	P-4A	Change to Business Rules: The interval breakout for UNE is: 1,2,3,4,5+ and Design is: 0-5,>5-,=10,>10-<=15,>15-<=20,>20- <=25,>25-<=30,>30 0-5-0, <5,5-10-5, <10,10-15-10, <15, 15-20-15, <20, 20-25-20, <25,25-30-25, <30,>=30-30 and greater	Yes

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55	BST	Exhibit 3	P-7A	Business Rule Change:  1. BST performs the hot cut, notifies the CLEC by telephone.  2. BST performs the hot cut and attempts to notify the CLEC by telephone, but receives no answer and leaves a phone message.	Yes
56	BST	Exhibit 3	P-7B	Calculation Change: Average Recovery Time=(c/d)  c-Sum of all the Recovery Times  d=# of Troubles per circuit Referred to BST	Yes
<b>57</b>	BST	Exhibit 3	P-8	Change the Title of this measure by replacing the word "Tested" with the phrase "Passing Cooperative Testing".	Yes
58	BST	Exhibit 3	P-8	Definition Change: A loop will be considered successfully cooperatively tested when both the CLEC and HEE BST representatives agree that the loop has passed the cooperative testing meets the technical specifications set forth in TR 73600.	Yes
59	BST ***	exhibit 3	P-9	Business Rule Change: Measures the quality and accuracy of completed orders. The first trouble report from a received after service order after completion is counted in this measure.	Yes
60	BST	Exhibit 3	M&R-1	Definition Change: The percent of <u>customer</u> trouble reports not cleared by the committed date and time.	Yes
61	BST	Exhibit 3	M&R-1	Calculation Change: % of Missed Repair Appts=(a/b) x 100 a=Count of Customer Troubles Not Cleared by the Quoted Commitment Date and Time b=Total <u>Customer</u> Trouble reports closed in Reporting Period	Yes

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62	BST	Exhibit 3	M&R-2	Definition Change: Initial and repeated customer direct or referred customer troubles reported within a calendar month per 100 lines/circuits in service.	Yes
63	BST	Exhibit 3	M&R-2	Calculation Change:  a=Count of Initial and Repeated <u>Customer</u> Trouble Reports closed in the Current period  b=Number of Service Access Lines in service at End of the Report Period	Yes
64	BST	Exhibit 3	M&R-3	Calculation Change: Maintenance Duration=(a-b) a=Date and Time of Service Restoration b=Date and Time <u>Customer</u> Trouble Ticket was Opened Avg Maintenance Duration=(c/d) c=Total of all maint durations in the reporting period d=Total Closed <u>Customer</u> Troubles in the reporting period	Yes
65	BST	Exhibit 3	M&R-4	Definition Change: Closed customer trouble reports on the same line/circuit as a previous customer trouble report received within 30 calendar days as a percent of total customer troubles closed reported.	Yes
66	BST	Exhibit 3	M&R-4	Calculation Change: % Repeat <u>Customer</u> Troubles within 30 Days- (a/b)x100 a=Count of closed Customer Troubles where more than one trouble report was logged for the same service line within a continuous 30 days. B=Total <u>Customer</u> Trouble Reports Closed in Reporting Period.	Yes

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67	BST	Exhibit 3	M&R-4	Data Retained Change: Relating to CLEC Experience: Total and % Repeat <u>Customer</u> Trouble Reports within 30 Days (TOT_REPEAT) Relating to BST Performance Total and % Repeat <u>Customer</u> Trouble Reports within 30 Days	Yes
68	BST	Exhibit 3	M&R-5	Definition Change: For Out of Service <u>Customer</u> Troubles (no dial tone, cannot be called or cannot call out (the percentage of Total OSS <u>Customer</u> Troubles cleared in excess of 24 hours (All design services are considered to be out of service).	Yes
69	BST	Exhibit 3	M&R-5	Business Rule Change: Customer Trouble reports that are out of service and cleared in excess of 24 hours. The clock begins when the <u>customer</u> trouble report is created in LMOS/WFA and the <u>customer</u> trouble is counted if the elapsed time exceeds 24 hours.	Yes
70	BST	Exhibit 3	M&R-5	Calculation Change: Out of Service (OOS)>24 Hours=(a/b) x 100 a=Total Cleared <u>Customer</u> Troubles <u>OOS&gt;24 Hours</u> b=Total OOS <u>Customer</u> Troubles in Reporting Period	Yes
71	BST	Exhibit 3	M&R-6	Definition Change: This report measures the average time a customer is in queue when calling a BST Repair Center.	Yes
<b>72</b>	BST	Exhibit 3	B-1	Calculation Change: Invoice Accuracy=[(a-b)/a x 100) a=Absolute Value of Total Billing Revenues during current month b=Absolute Value of <u>Total</u> Billing Related Adjustments during current month.	Yes
73	BST	Exhibit 3	B-1	Report Structure Change: Number of Adjustments	Yes

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74	BST	Exhibit 3	B-1	Data Retained Change: Change the phrase "Billing Related Adjustments" to "Total Billing Related Adjustments" for both CLEC Experience and BST Performance.	Yes
75	BST	Exhibit 3	B-2	Definition Change	Yes
76	BST	Exhibit 3	B-2	Business Rule Change	Yes
77	BST	Exhibit 3	B-2	SQM Analog/Benchmark Change: CRIS based invoices will be released for delivery within 6 business days; CRIS based invoices will be released for delivery within 8 calendar days; CLEC Avg Delivery Intervals for both CRIS and CABS Invoices are comparable to BST Avg delivery for both systems.	Yes
78	BST	Exhibit 3	B-4	Report Structure Change: Remove "BellSouth Aggregate".	Yes
79	BST	Exhibit 3	B-4	Data Retained Change: Replace "Report Month" and "Record Type" with "None"	Yes
80	BST	Exhibit 3	B-5	Report Structure Change: Remove "BellSouth Aggregate".	Yes
81	BST	Exhibit 3	B-5	Data Retained Change: Replace "Report Month" and "Record Type" with "None"	Yes
82	BST	Exhibit 3	B-6	Report Structure Change: Remove "BellSouth Aggregate".	Yes
83	BST	Exhibit 3	B-6	Data Retained Change: Replace "Report Month" and "Record Type" with "None"	Yes

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84	BST	Exhibit 3	<b>B-7</b>	Business Rule Change: Add sentence: The count of fractional recurring charges in the calculation refers to a sum of absolute total dollar values either billed on the correct bill or the absolute value of total fractional recurring charges on the bill.  Agreement reached at workshop to delete the word "correct" from the denominator.	Yes
85	BST	Exhibit 3	B-8	Business Rule Change: Add sentence: The count of non-recurring charges in the calculation refers to a sum of absolute total dollar values wether billed on the correct bill or the absolute value of total non-recurring charges on the bill.	Yes
86	BST	Exhibit 3	B-10	Title, Calculation, and Data Retained Change: Inserting "Business" before "Days".	Yes
87	BST	Exhibit 3	C-1	Definition Change: Measures the avg time (counted in calendar days) from the receipt of a complete and accurate collocation application (including receipt of app fee if required) to the date BST returns a response electronically or in writing. Within 10 the number of calendar days as designated by the Collocation Order after having received a bona fide application for physical collocation, BST must respond as to whether space is available or not with space availability and a price quote.	Yes
88	BST	Exhibit 3	C-2	SQM Analog/Benchmark Change: Virtual-Augment-45 60 Calendar Days (Without Space Increase).	Yes
89	BST	Exhibit 3	CM-3	Definition Change: Measures whether CLECs received requirements or business rule documentation on time to prepare for BST interface/system changes so CLEC interfaces are not impaired by change as set forth in the Change Control Process governed by the CLEC/BST Review Board:	Yes

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90	BST	Exhibit 3	CM-3	Business Rule Change: This metric is designed to measure the percent of requirements or business rule documentation sent to the CLECs according to documentation standards and time frames set forth in the Change Control Process a copy of which can be found at <a href="http://www.interconnection.bellsouth.com/markets/lec/cp_live/index.html">http://www.interconnection.bellsouth.com/markets/lec/cp_live/index.html</a> . The CCP is used by BellSouth and the CLECs to manage requested changes to the BellSouth Local Interfaces.	Yes
91	BST	Exhibit 3	CM-9	Calculation Change: The number of Type 6 Severity 1 Defects, the number of Type 6 Severity 2 Defects without a mechanized work around, and the number of Type 6 Severity 3 defects, without a mechanized work around.	Yes
92	BST	Exhibit 3	Report Pub Dates	In the last sentence of this section, change: "BST shall retail the performance measurement raw data files Supporting Data Files (SDF) for a period of 18 months and further retain the monthly reports produced in PMAP for a period of 3 years.	Delete
93	BST	Exhibit 3	P-1	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete was
94	BST	Exhibit 3	P-2	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete
95	BST	Exhibit 3	P-3	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience:  Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete

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96	BST	Exhibit 3	P-3A	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete
97	BST	Exhibit 3	P-4	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete
98	BST	Exhibit 3	P-4A	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete
99	BST	Exhibit 3	P-5	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete
100	BST	Exhibit 3	P-7	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete
101	BST	Exhibit 3	P-7A	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete
102	BST	Exhibit 3	P-7B	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete

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103	BST	Exhibit 3	P-7C	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience:  Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete
104	BST	Exhibit 3	P-8	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete
105	BST	Exhibit 3	P-9	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete
106	BST	Exhibit 3	P-10	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete
107	BST	Exhibit 3	M&R-1	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete
108	BST	Exhibit 3	M&R-2	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete
109	BST	Exhibit 3	M&R-3	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete

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110	BST	Exhibit 3	M&R-4	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete
111	BST	Exhibit 3	M&R-5	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete
112	BST	Exhibit 3	DUI-2	Change in Data Retained/Relating to CLEC experience: Note: Code in parentheses is the corresponding header found in the raw data Supporting Data Files (SDF).	Delete

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113	ALEC	Pg 8, 8/30 Filing	PO-1	ADD to Tier 1	Yes
114	ALEC	Pg 8, 8/30 Filing	PO-2	ADD to Tier 1	Yes
115	ALEC	Pg 8, 8/30 Filing	ADM	Independent SEEM audit is necessary. ALECs want audit of BST's PARIS reports to ensure the remedy pmts are accurate.	Yes
116	ALEC	Pg 10, 8/30 Filing	PARIS	ADD: Report w/info for each submeasure on a monthly basis Tier I Metric	Yes
117	ALEC	Pg 10, 8/30 Filing	PARIS	ADD: Report w/info for each submeasure on a monthly basis Calc Remedy Amt on Web Site	Yes
118	ALEC	Pg 10, 8/30 Filing	PARIS	ADD: Report w/info for each submeasure on a monthly basis Adjustment	Yes
119	ALEC	Pg 10, 8/30 Filing	PARIS	ADD: Report w/info for each submeasure on a monthly basis Restated Remedy Calculation	Yes
120	ALEC	Pg 16, 8/30 Filing	NEW SQM	ADD:  SOM - % of Time BST Applies the 10 Digit Trigger Prior to the LNP Order Due Date; % Out of Service<60 Minutes; and LNP Avg Disconnects Timeliness Intvl & Disconnect Timeliness Intvl Dist (Non-Trigger) Agreement reached at workshop if P-13D is added. BST filed P-13D in errata.	Yes

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121	ALEC	PG 6, ALEC Modified Redline	OSS-2	Add: SEEM disagg-"BST will include all interfaces used by ALECs alone in the SEEM plan."	Yes
122	ALEC	PG 8, ALEC Modified Redline	OSS-3	Add: SEEM disagg-"BST will include all interfaces used by ALECs alone in the SEEM plan."	Yes
123	ALEC	PG 10, ALEC Modified Redline	OSS-4	MODIFY: Disagg to include Appendix D. Agreement reached at workshop that BST will add "footnote of key".	Yes
124	ALEC	PG 15, ALEC Modified Redline	O-1	MODIFY: Calculation of "c" and "d".	Yes
125	ALEC	PG 35, ALEC Modified Redline	0-9	MODIFY: Change exclusion "LCSC" to "center(s)".	Yes
126	ALEC	PG 46, ALEC Modified Redline	P-1	MODIFY: Calculation-replace"for the reporting period" with "from the earliest BST missed appt".	Yes
127	ALEC	PG 64, ALEC Modified Redline	P-5 (P-4 in ALEC Comment s)	MODIFY: Business Rules-Replace "transmitted" with "delivered".	Yes
128	ALEC	PG 64, ALEC Modified Redline	P-5 (P-4 in ALEC Comment s)	ADD: Business Rules-For the retail analogue, the start time is when the technician completes the order and the end time is when the order status is changed to complete in SOCs.	Yes

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129	ALEC	PG 77, ALEC Modified Redline	P-8	MODIFY: Definition-replace "has passed the cooperative testing" replace with "meets the technical specifications set forth in TR73600".	Yes
130	ALEC	PG 107, ALEC Modified Redline	M&R-7	MODIFY: Definition-Replace "key customer accounts" with "customer impacting".	Yes
131	ALEC	PG 113, ALEC Modified Redline	В-3	ADD: SEEM - Add to Tier I.	Yes
132	ALEC	PG 127, ALEC Modified Redline	B-10	ADD: Calculation - Add "responses due"	Yes
133	ALEC	PG 133, ALEC Modified Redline	DUI-1	ADD: Business Rules - Add "This metric includes updates from stand-alone directory listing orders"	Yes
134	ALEC	PG 135, ALEC Modified Redline	DUI-2	ADD: Business Rules - Add "This metric includes updates from stand-alone directory listing orders"	Yes

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135	ALEC	Pg 2, 8/30 Filing		ADD to SEEM: Severity component	Delete (from this forum only)
136	ALEC	PG 40, ALEC Modified Redline	O-10	ALECs willing to defer SEEM measure until next review.	Delete
137	ALEC	PG 52, ALEC Modified Redline	NEW SQM P-3	ADD: SQM for Percent Missed Initial Installation Appointments	Delete
138	ALEC	PG 58, ALEC Modified Redline	NEW SQM P-4	ADD: SQM for Average Completion Interval (OCI) & Order Completion Interval Distribution	Delete
139	ALEC	PG 68, ALEC Modified Redline	P-6	SEEM: ALECs willing to defer until next review.	Delete
140	ALEC	PG 74, ALEC Modified Redline	Р-7В	SEEM: ALECs willing to defer until next review.	Delete
141	ALEC	PG 89, ALEC Modified Redline	P-12	ADD: Business Rules-"The disconnect activity will be performed before the order is completed in SOCs"	Delete
142	ALEC	PG 90, ALEC Modified Redline	P-12	MODIFY; SQM Disagg-Needs to be discussed in context of new LNP measures.	Delete

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143	ALEC	PG 106, ALEC Modified Redline	M&R-6	SEEM: ALECs willing to defer until next review.	Delete
144	ALEC	PG 116, ALEC Modified Redline	B-4	SEEM: ALECs willing to defer until next review.	Delete
145	ALEC	PG 120, ALEC Modified Redline	B-6	SEEM: ALECs willing to defer until next review.	Delete
146	ALEC	PG 121, ALEC Modified Redline	В-7	SEEM: ALECs willing to defer until next review.	Delete
147	ALEC	PG 124, ALEC Modified Redline	B-8	SEEM: ALECs willing to defer until next review.	Delete
148	ALEC	PG 126, ALEC Modified Redline	B-9	MODIFY: SQM Disagg - Replace "Region" with "State"	Delete
149	ALEC	PG 126, ALEC Modified Redline	B-9	MODIFY: SQM Disagg - Replace "Diagnostic" with "95% within interval"	Delete
150	ALEC	PG 126, ALEC Modified Redline	B-9	ADD: SEEM - Add to Tier I and Tier II.	Delete

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151	ALEC	PG 134, ALEC Modified Redline	DUI-1	SEEM: ALECs willing to defer until next review.	Delete
152	ALEC	PG 136, ALEC Modified Redline	DUI-2	SEEM: ALECs willing to defer until next review.	Delete
153	ALEC	PG 138, ALEC Modified Redline	DUI-3	SEEM: ALECs willing to defer until next review.	Delete
154	ALEC	PG 149, ALEC Modified Redline	C-1	SEEM: ALECs willing to defer until next review.	Delete
155	ALEC	PG 151, ALEC Modified Redline	C-2	SEEM: ALECs willing to defer until next review.	Delete
156	ALEC	PG 158, ALEC Modified Redline	CM-5	SEEM: ALECs willing to defer until next review.	Delete

	RED-LINE CHANGES FROM THE BEARINGPOINT ADEQUACY REVIEW
Metric Name	Documentation Improvements (Red-line changes)
OSS-1: Average Response Time and Response Interval (Pre-Ordering/ Ordering)	The Definition, Business Rules, and Calculation documentation should be analysis.
OSS-2: Interface Availability (Pre- Ordering/Ordering)	Definition  The hours of operation website should be updated to show hours of availability for all appropriate levels of disaggregation. BellSouth references in both the Interim and Permanent Metrics a matrix on its website ( <a href="http://www.interconnection.bellsouth.com/oss/oss">http://www.interconnection.bellsouth.com/oss/oss</a> hour.html). This matrix does not list hours of availability for all levels of disaggregation.
OSS-3: Interface Availability (Maintenance & Repair)	Definition  The hours of operation website should be updated to show hours of availability for all appropriate levels of disaggregation. BellSouth references in both the Interim and Permanent Metrics a matrix on its website ( <a href="http://www.interconnection.bellsouth.com/oss/oss">http://www.interconnection.bellsouth.com/oss/oss</a> hour.html). This matrix does not list hours of availability for all levels of disaggregation.
	Business Rules The Business Rules documentation should be updated to reflect the red-line SQM changes associated with the Florida Third Party OSS Test. As part of FL Exception 59, BellSouth submitted a red-line SQM to modify the documented SQM text to provide additional clarity regarding the Business Rules documentation. These changes are not present in the Permanent Metrics.
OSS-4: Response Interval (Maintenance & Repair)	Performance Standard The Performance Standard documentation of this SQM should be modified to reflect a benchmark of "Parity with Retail." The benchmark in the Interim Metrics is listed as "Parity with Retail," while the benchmark in the Permanent Metrics is listed as "Average Interval." KPMG Consulting has confirmed that "Parity with Retail" is the correct performance standard for this SQM.
PO-1: Loop Makeup – Response Time – Manual	Business Rules The Business Rules section reference to "mail" should be replaced with "e-mail." BellSouth states the following: "The CLEC Manual Loop Makeup Service Inquiry (LMUSI) process includes inquiries submitted via mail or FAX to BellSouth's Complex Resale Support Group (CRSG)." KPMG Consulting has confirmed that the CRSG does not receive inquiries via mail and believes that this statement refers to electronic mail.
PO-2: Loop Makeup – Response Time – Electronic	Exclusions The Exclusions documentation should be modified to remove the "designated holidays" exclusion. KPMG Consulting believes the exclusion of "designated holidays" is inappropriate for an SQM that measures an automated process.

Metric Name	Documentation Improvements (Red-line changes)
O-1: Acknowledgement Message Timeliness	The Definition and Calculation documentation should be updated to reflect the red-line SQM changes associated with the Florida Third Party OSS Test.  As part of FL Observation 112, BellSouth submitted a red-line SQM to add distribution intervals to the documented SQM. These distribution intervals are not present in the Permanent Metrics for the SQM.  Exclusions  The Exclusions documentation should be modified to note the exclusion of "Manually Submitted LSRs."  KPMG Consulting notes that no exclusions are listed in the Permanent Metrics. Since the O-1 SQM includes only transactions electronically submitted via EDI or TAG, manually submitted LSRs would not be included in the calculation of this SQM.
O-3: Percent Flow-Through Service Requests (Summary)	Business Rules The Business Rules documentation should be updated to reflect the red-line SQM changes associated with the Florida Third Party OSS Test. As part of its response to FL Exception 121, BellSouth modified category three and added a 14th category in the documented SQM. Both additions clarified differences in the flow-through handling of Local Number Portability (LNP) orders. These changes are not present in the Permanent Metrics.
	Calculation The Calculation documentation should be modified to provide additional clarity on the calculation references to clarifications and errors.  The Calculation documentation states the following:
	Percent Flow Through = a + [b - (c + d + e + f)] X 100  • a = The total number of LSRs that flow through LESOG/LAUTO and reach a status for a FOC to be issued  • b = the number of LSRs passed from LEO/LNP Gateway to LESOG/LAUTO  • c = the number of LSRs that fall out for manual processing  • d = the number of LSRs that are returned to the CLEC for clarification  • e = the number of LSRs that contain errors made by CLECs  • f = the number of LSRs that receive a Z status.
	Since clarifications and errors are synonymous, "d" and "e" could be interpreted to double count the number of clarifications and errors. By double-counting clarifications and errors, the reported flow through percentage increases since the denominator is reduced. KPMG Consulting has confirmed that "d" refers to auto clarifications only, and "e" refers to clarifications returned from the Local Carrier Service Center (LCSC) to the CLEC.
	The Calculation documentation also states the following:  Percent Achieved Flow Through = a + [b-(c+d+e)] X 100  • a = the number of LSRs that flow through LESOG/LAUTO and reach a status for a FOC to be issued.  • b = the number of LSRs passed from LEO/LNP Gateway to LESOG/LAUTO  • c = the number of LSRs that are returned to the CLEC for clarification  • d = the number of LSRs that contain errors made by CLECs  • e = the number of LSRs that receive Z status
	Since clarifications and errors are synonymous, "c" and "d" could be interpreted to double-count the number of clarifications and errors. By double-counting clarifications and errors, the reported flow through percentage increases since the denominator is reduced. KPMG Consulting has confirmed that "c" refers to auto clarifications only, and "d" refers to clarifications returned from the LCSC to the CLEC.

Metric Name	Documentation Improvements (Red-line changes)
O-4: Percent Flow-Through	Business Rules
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Service Requests (Detail)	The Business Rules documentation should be updated to reflect the red-line SQM changes
	associated with the Florida Third Party OSS Test. As part of its response to FL Exception 121,
	Bell South modified extensive three and all 1 state As part of its response to FL Exception 121,
	BellSouth modified category three and added a 14th category to the documented SQM. Both
	additions claimed difficults in the How-infoligh handling of Local Number Dortok His (7.370)
	orders. These changes are not present in the Permanent Metrics.
	Calculation
	The Calculation documentation should be modified to provide additional clarity on the calculation
	references to clarifications and errors. The Calculation section states the following:
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	status for a POC to be issued
	• b = the number of LSRs passed from LEO/LNP Gateway to LESOG/LAUTO
	c = the number of LSRs that fall out for manual processing
	• d = the number of LSRs that are returned to the CLEC for clarification
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	• f = the number of LSRs that receive a Z status.
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	the LCSC to the CLEC. The Calculation section also states the following:
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	for a FOC to be issued.
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nalysis	The name of the SQM should be modified to remove "O-5" from the SQM header. KPMG
	Consuming notes that this incastrement has no calculation other than a countrie and it is
	used to assist in the calculation of 0.3 and 0.4. The calculation of the rain a count; it presents data that is
	- 1 to accept in the calculation of O-2 and O-4. The removal of "O 5" from the COLO.
	would make it clear that this measurement has no calculation component.

Metric Name	Documentation Improvements (Red-line changes)				
O-8: Reject Interval	Exclusions  The Exclusions documentation's holiday exclusion should be labeled as referencing partially mechanized and non-mechanized transactions only. BellSouth lists the following exclusion: "Designated Holidays are excluded from the interval calculation." KPMG Consulting has confirmed that the holiday exclusion is appropriate for partially mechanized and non-mechanized transactions, but that this exclusion is not appropriate for fully mechanized transactions.  The Exclusions documentation's reference to hours of exclusion should be updated. KPMG				
	Consulting notes that the hours of operation and hours of exclusion for various centers can change over time. The hours of exclusion listed in the Permanent Metrics may not accurately reflect actual hours of exclusion. To address this issue, KPMG Consulting suggests that a reference be added to the Exclusions section to indicate the websites where current hours of operation can be found.				
O-9: Firm Order Confirmation Timeliness	Exclusions The Exclusions documentation's holiday exclusion should be labeled as referencing partially mechanized and non-mechanized transactions only. BellSouth lists the following exclusion: "Designated Holidays are excluded from the interval calculation." KPMG Consulting has confirmed that the holiday exclusion is appropriate for partially mechanized and non-mechanized transactions, but that this exclusion is not appropriate for fully mechanized transactions.				
	The Exclusion documentation's reference to hours of exclusion should be updated. KPMG Consulting notes that the hours of operation and hours of exclusion for various centers can change over time and therefore, the hours of exclusion listed in the Permanent Metrics may not accurately reflect actual hours of exclusion. To address this issue, KPMG Consulting suggests that a reference be added to the Exclusions section to indicate the websites where current hours of operation can be found.				
	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect the red-line SQM changes associated with the Florida Third Party OSS Test. As part of FL Observation 129, BellSouth submitted a red-line SQM to address documented time bucket discrepancies. These changes are not present in the Permanent Metrics.				

Metric Name	Documentation Improvements (Red-line changes)
O-10: Service Inquiry with LSR Firm Order Confirmation (FOC) Response Time Manual	Exclusions  The Exclusions documentation's reference to hours of exclusion should be updated. KPMG  Consulting notes that the hours of operation and hours of exclusion for various centers can change over time and therefore, the hours of exclusion listed in the Permanent Metrics may not accurately reflect actual hours of exclusion. To address this issue, KPMG Consulting suggests that a reference be added to the Exclusions section to indicate the website where current hours of operation can be found.
	Calculation  The Calculation documentation should be updated so the FOC Timeliness Interval calculation label and the Average Interval numerator ("c") are renamed. The calculation label and numerator should reflect the measurement of the O-10 SQM, rather than the O-9 SQM. The first calculation shown in this section is listed as follows:  FOC Timeliness Interval = (a - b)  a = Date and Time Firm Order Confirmation (FOC) for SI with LSR returned to CLEC  b = Date and Time SI with LSR received
	KPMG Consulting believes that the calculation heading: "FOC Timeliness Interval" could be misleading since the O-9 SQM measures the FOC Timeliness interval. The second calculation shown in this section is listed as follows:  Average Interval = (c ÷ d)  c = Sum of all FOC Timeliness Intervals  d = Total number of SIs with LSRs received in the reporting period
O-11: Firm Order Confirmation and Reject Response Completeness	The numerator "c" could also be misleading since it also refers to the FOC Timeliness intervals.  Exclusions  The Exclusions documentation should be updated to reflect a "Fatal Rejects" exclusion. BellSouth states the following in the Business Rules documentation: "Mechanized - The number of FOCs or Auto Clarifications sent to the CLEC from EDI, or TAG in response to electronically submitted LSRs." BellSouth defines a Mechanized reject in the Business Rules section of the O-7: Percent Rejected Service Requests text as "either a Fatal Reject or an Auto Clarification." While Auto-Clarifications are one type of Reject, Fatal Rejects are not mentioned in the O-11 SQM documentation. BellSouth also does not list Fatal Rejects in the Exclusions section of the O-11 SQM. KPMG Consulting believes that Fatal Rejects should be excluded from this SQM since BellSouth defines a Fatal Reject in the O-7: Percent Rejected Service Requests text as follows: "A Fatal Reject occurs when a CLEC attempts to electronically submit an LSR but required fields are either not populated or incorrectly populated and the request is returned to the CLEC before it is considered a valid LSR." The O-11 SQM Definition documentation states the following: "A response is expected from BellSouth for every Local Service Request transaction (version)." Since a Fatal Reject is not considered a valid LSR, the exclusion of Fatal Rejects from O-11 would be consistent with the Definition documentation of this SQM as stated above. KPMG Consulting has also confirmed that Fatal Rejects are applied for the SQM and the stated above. KPMG Consulting has also confirmed that Fatal Rejects are applied for the SQM as stated above. KPMG Consulting has also confirmed that Fatal Rejects are applied for the SQM as stated above.
O-12: Speed of Answer in Ordering Center	has also confirmed that Fatal Rejects are excluded from this SQM.  Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect the geographic scope. KPMG Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional basis.

Metric Name	Documentation Improvements (Red-line changes)
P-1: Mean Held Order Interval & Distribution Interval	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanen  Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are  presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional and state-specific basis.
P-2: Average Jeopardy Notice Interval & Percentage of Orders Given Jeopardy Notices	The Calculation, Levels of Disaggregation, and Performance Standard documentation should be updated to reflect the red-line SQM changes associated with the Florida Third Party OSS Test. As part of FL Observation 150, BellSouth submitted a red-line SQM to modify the SQM text to provide additional documentation clarity regarding the calculation, levels of disaggregation, and performance standard sections. These changes are not present in the Permanent Metrics.  Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional
2-3A: Percent Missed estallation Appointments ecluding Subsequent appointments	Definition The Definition documentation should be updated to account for the inclusion of subsequent appointments.
	Calculation The Calculation documentation should be modified.  Percent Missed Installation Appointments = (a ÷ b) X 100  • a = Number of Appointments in Reporting Period past the Original (Date/Time as applicable) Committed and Subsequent Committed Due Date  • b = Number of Appointments on Orders Completed in Reporting Period
	KPMG Consulting believes that "a" could be interpreted that the appointment be counted only if it were past the original committed due date and the subsequent committed due date, which would only count subsequent misses. However, since the P-3 SQM, which measures the percentage of missed initial installation appointments, has not been ordered by the FPSC, the P-3A SQM must include both types of misses: initial and subsequent.
	"a" should be redefined as "a = (Number of Appointments in Reporting Period past the Original Committed Due Date) + (Number of Appointments in Reporting Period past the Subsequent Committed Due Date)."
	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent  Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are  presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional  and state-specific basis.

Metric Name	Documentation Improvements (Red-line changes)
P-4A: Average Order Completion and Completion Notice Interval (AOCCNI) Distribution	Definition The Definition documentation should be modified to include completion notices. The Definition section includes the following statement: "The "Order Completion And Completion Notice Interval" provides the percentages of orders completed within certain time periods." The phrase "orders completed" could imply that only the order completion interval is being measured by this SQM. Since this SQM measures both the completion interval and the completion notice interval, the statement is not accurate. "Orders completed" should be updated to include completion notices.
	Business Rules  The Business Rules documentation should be updated. The Business Rules section includes the following statement: "The accumulated time for each reporting dimension is then divided by the associated total number of orders completed." The phrase "orders completed" could imply that only the order completion interval is being measured by this SQM. Since this SQM measures both the completion interval and the completion notice interval, the statement is not accurate. "Orders completed" should be updated to include completion notices. The Business Rules section also includes the following statement: "Orders that are worked on zero due dates are calculated with a .33-day interval (8 hours) in order to report a portion of a day interval. These orders are issued and worked/completed on the same day. They can be either flow through orders (no field work-non-dispatched) or field orders (dispatched)."Since this SQM measures both the completion interval and the completion notice interval, the text could be misleading and should be removed.
	Calculation The Calculation documentation should be updated.  Completion Interval = (a - b)  a = Date and Time Completion Notice is sent  b = FOC/SOCS date time-stamp (application date)
	The name of the calculation, "Completion Interval," could imply that only the order completion interval is being calculated. The interval $(a - b)$ measures both the order completion interval and the completion notice interval. The phrase "Completion Interval" could be misleading and should be updated to include completion notices.
	Average Completion Interval = $(c \div d)$ • $c = Sum$ of all Completion Intervals  • $d = Count$ of Orders Completed in Reporting Period

Metric Name	Documentation Improvements (Red-line changes)
P-4A: Average Order Completion and Completion Notice Interval (AOCCNI) Distribution (Continued)	The name of the calculation, "Average Completion Interval," could imply that only the average of all completion intervals is being calculated. Both the "c" and "d" variables refer only to completions, not to completions and completion notices and should be updated in the documentation.  Order Completion Interval Distribution (for each interval) = (e ÷ f) X 100  • e = Service Orders Completed in "X" days  • f = Total Service Orders Completed in Reporting Period
	For the reasons stated above, the name of the calculation, "Order Completion Interval Distribution (for each interval)," could also be misinterpreted. Both the "e" and "f" variables refer only to completed service orders, not to completed service orders and completion notices and should be updated in the documentation.
	Report Structure
	The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional and state-specific basis.
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	The Performance Standard documentation should be modified. KPMG Consulting notes that the retail analog for UNE Digital Loop <sup>3</sup> DS1 is listed as Retail Digital Loop £ DS1. KPMG Consulting has confirmed that the retail analog is, in fact, Retail Digital Loop <sup>3</sup> DS1.
P-5: Average Completion Notice Interval	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent  Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are  presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional and state-specific basis.
	Performance Standard
	The Performance Standard documentation should be modified. KPMG Consulting notes that the retail analog for UNE Digital Loop <sup>3</sup> DS1 is listed as Retail Digital Loop £ DS1. KPMG Consulting has confirmed that the retail analog is, in fact, Retail Digital Loop <sup>3</sup> DS1.
P-6: %	Report Structure
Completions/Attempts without Notice or < 24 hours Notice	The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional and state-specific basis.
-7: Coordinated Customer	Report Structure
Conversions Interval	The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional and state-specific basis.

Metric Name	Documentation Improvements (Red-line changes)
P-7A: Coordinated Customer Conversions - Hot Cut Timeliness % Within Interval and Average Interval	Report Structure
P-7B: Coordinated Customer Conversions – Average Recovery Time	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent  Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are  presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional and state-specific basis.
P-7C: Hot Cut Conversions - % Provisioning Troubles Received Within 7 days of a completed Service Order	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent  Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are  presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional and state-specific basis.
P-8: Cooperative Acceptance Testing - % of xDSL Loops Successfully Tested	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent  Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are  presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional and state-specific basis.
P-9: % Provisioning Troubles within 30 days of Service Order Completion	Calculation  The Calculation documentation should be updated.  % Provisioning Troubles within 30 days of Service Order Activity = (a + b) X 100  • a = Trouble reports on all completed orders 30 days following service order(s) completion  • b = All Service Orders completed in the previous report calendar month  The definition for "a" could be interpreted to include trouble reports for only the 30-day point following service order(s) completion, not trouble reports within 30 days. "a" should be redefined as "a = Trouble reports on all completed orders within 30 days following service order(s) completion."  Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope.  KPMG Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional and state-specific basis.
	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent  Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are  presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional  and state-specific basis.

Metric Name	Documentation Improvements (Red-line changes)
P-11: Service Order Accuracy	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent  Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are  presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional  basis.
P-12: LNP-Average Disconnect Timeliness Interval & Disconnect Timeliness Interval Distribution	Calculation  The Calculation documentation should be modified.  Disconnect Timeliness Interval Distribution (for each interval) = (e + f) X 100  • e = Disconnected numbers completed in "X" days  • f = Total disconnect numbers completed in reporting period  "e" should be changed from days to minutes since, as noted below, the time buckets are in minutes.  Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect the red-line SQM changes associated with the Florida Third Party OSS Test. As part of FL Exception 15, BellSouth submitted a red-line SQM to address the lack of time buckets (<=15 minutes, >15 minutes) in the SQM documentation. The time buckets are not present in the Permanent Metrics SQM.
M&R-1: Missed Repair Appointments	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional and state-specific basis.
M&R-2: Customer Trouble Report Rate	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to include Dispatch/Non-Dispatch. KPMG  Consulting believes that this designation is important and notes that BellSouth's published report  for this SQM is reported by Dispatch/Non-Dispatch.  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent  Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are  presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional  and state-specific basis.
1&R-3: Maintenance verage Duration	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent  Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are  presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional  and state-specific basis.
&R-4: Percent Repeat coubles within 30 Days	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent  Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are  presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional and state-specific basis.

Metric Name	Documentation Improvements (Red-line changes)
M&R-5: Out of Service (OOS) > 24 Hours	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent
	presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional and state-specific basis.
M&R-6: Average Answer Time – Repair Centers	Exclusions  The Exclusions documentation should be updated to list abandoned calls as an exclusion. KPMG Consulting notes that abandoned calls are not listed as an exclusion. Since the SQM is based on the total number of calls answered in the reporting period, abandoned calls cannot be included.
	Report Structure
	The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional basis.
M&R-7: Mean Time To Notify CLEC of Network Outages	The Definition, Business Rules, and Calculation documentation should be updated to reflect the red-line SQM changes associated with the Florida Third Party OSS Test. As part of FL Observation 133, BellSouth submitted a red-line SQM to modify the SQM text to provide additional clarity regarding the definition, business rules, and calculation documentation. These changes are not present in the Permanent Metrics.
	Definition
	The Definition section should be modified. BellSouth refers to "Key Customer Accounts" in this section, which implies that only key customers are notified. Since all CLECs have the opportunity to subscribe to the notification list, KPMG Consulting believes that the phrase "Key Customer Accounts" should be removed to avoid confusion.
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	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional basis.
	Performance Standard
	The Performance Standard documentation should be updated to reflect the red-line SQM changes associated with the Florida Third Party OSS Test. As part of FL Observation 161, BellSouth issued a red-line SQM regarding the documentation change of the performance standard from Parity by Design to Parity with Retail. The change is not present in the Permanent Metrics.

Metric Name	Documentation Improvements (Red-line changes)
B-2: Mean Time to Deliver Invoices	
	Business Rules  The Business Rules documentation should be modified, as the Definition documentation appears to contain background information on the SQM, while the Business Rules documentation appears to provide a better definition of the SQM. The Business Rules documentation should be modified to state "timeliness of billing records sent to CLECs." The Calculation documentation states the
	following:  Invoice Timeliness = (a - b)  • a = Invoice Transmission Date  • b = Close Date of Scheduled Bill Cycle
	The end point for the Invoice Timeliness calculation is the transmission date to the CLEC. The Business Rules state: "This report measures the mean interval for timeliness of billing records delivered to CLECs in an agreed upon format. CRIS-based invoices are measured in business days, and CABS-based invoices in calendar days." The Business Rules section should be modified to state "timeliness of billing records sent to CLECs," rather than "delivered to CLECs" since BellSouth cannot be held responsible for the billing records after they have been sent.
3-8: Non-Recurring Charge Completeness	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect the geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent  Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are  presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a state-  specific basis.
-1: Average Database pdate Interval	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect the geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent  Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are  presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional and state-specific basis.

Metric Name	Documentation Improvements (Red-line changes)
D-2: Percent Database Update Accuracy	The Definition and Business Rules documentation should be updated to reflect the red-line SQM changes associated with the Florida Third Party OSS Test. As part of FL Observation 180, BellSouth submitted a red-line SQM to clarify the documented SQM text. The text in the Permanent Metrics for this SQM does not match the text in the red-line SQM.
	Report Structure
	The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect the geographic scope. KPMG Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional and state-specific basis.
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	Levels of Disaggregation  The Levels of Disaggregation documentation should be updated to include Directory Assistance.  There are two levels of disaggregation listed for this SQM:
	LIDB
	Directory Listings
	KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's published report for this SQM includes a third level of disaggregation: Directory Assistance. BellSouth also refers to Directory Assistance in both the Definition and Business Rules sections.
D-3: Percent NXXs and LRNS Loaded by the LERG Effective Date	Definition  The Definition documentation should be modified. KPMG Consulting notes that the first paragraph of the Definition documentation appears to contain the actual SQM definition. The second and third paragraphs appear to contain more background information that would be more appropriately presented in the Business Rules section.
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	The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect the geographic scope. KPMG Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional basis.
GP-2: Trunk Group erformance-CLEC Specific	Definition  The Definition documentation should be updated to reflect that the SQM is measured on a CLEC specific basis. KPMG Consulting notes that the wording of the definition is exactly the same as the TGP-1 wording definition. While TGP-2 is reported on a CLEC specific basis, TGP-1 is reported on an aggregate basis.
esponse Time	Report Structure
	The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect the geographic scope. KPMG Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a state-specific basis.

Metric Name	Documentation Improvements (Red-line changes)
C-2: Collocation Average Arrangement Time	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect the geographic scope. KPMG Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a state-specific basis.
C-3: Collocation Percent of Due Dates Missed	Business Rules The Business Rules documentation should be modified. The Business Rules documentation includes the following statement: "The clock starts on the date that BellSouth receives a complete and accurate Bona Fide firm order accompanied by the appropriate fee if required." KPMG Consulting notes that this statement also appears in the Business Rules section of the C-2: Collocation Average Arrangement Time SQM. Since the C-3 SQM measures the percentage of durates missed, no time intervals are required for the percentage calculation.
	Calculation  The Calculation documentation should be modified. The Calculation section includes the following statement:  • a = Number of Completed Orders that were not completed within BellSouth Committed Due Date during Reporting Period.
	KPMG Consulting notes that "within" should be replaced with "by" since orders cannot be completed within a due date, but can be completed by a due date.  Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect the geographic scope. KPMG Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's guyrent SQM are sented.
M-1: Timeliness of hange Management otices	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect the geographic scope. KPMG Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional basis.
	Business Rules  The Business Rules documentation should be updated to reflect the red-line SQM changes associated with the Florida Third Party OSS Test. As part of FL Observation 69, BellSouth submitted a red-line SQM to clarify the documented Business Rules regarding the intent of the SQM. These changes are not present in the Permanent Metrics.  Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect the
	Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional basis.

Metric Name	Documentation Improvements (Red-line changes)
CM-3: Timeliness of Documents Associated with Change	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect the geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent  Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are  presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional  basis.
CM-4: Change Management Documentation Average Delay Days	Business Rules  The Business Rules documentation should be updated to reflect the red-line SQM changes associated with the Florida Third Party OSS Test. As part of FL Observation 69, BellSouth submitted a red-line SQM to clarify the documented Business Rules regarding the intent of the SQM. These changes are not present in the Permanent Metrics.
CM-4: Change Management Documentation Average Delay Days (Continued)	Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect the geographic scope. KPMG  Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent  Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are  presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional basis.
	Business Rules  The Business Rules documentation should be updated to reflect the red-line SQM changes associated with the Florida Third Party OSS Test. As part of FL Exception 81, BellSouth submitted a red-line SQM to clarify the documented Business Rules regarding the intent of the SQM. These changes are not present in the Permanent Metrics.  Report Structure  The Report Structure documentation should be updated to reflect the geographic scope. KPMG Consulting notes that no geographic scope designation (region or state) is present in the Permanent Metrics SQM. This designation is important to determine at what level the SQM report results are presented. KPMG Consulting notes that BellSouth's current SQM report is reported on a regional basis.